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SEASONABLE WEATHER FOR CHRISTMAS

Leaders Have Real Message of Hope At Christmas Season

Upturn in Economic Conditions Noted in Holiday Greetings From Public Men; Difficult Task Still to Be Faced, Says Premier

Substantial optimism pervaded Christmas messages to-day from political and business leaders of the city and province. The general feeling expressed was that the corner toward economic recovery has been definitely turned, and, though there is a hard road ahead, a new and better day is dawning.

"The task ahead will require the sagest advice and most unremitting effort to meet the challenge of modern complexities," said Premier Pattullo.

Lieutenant - Governor Fordham Johnson foresaw a new era of prosperity for British Columbia in expansion of its trade with the Empire and the world.

One and all joined in the heartiest greetings.

Following are texts of the messages:

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON

"It is with a great deal of pleasure that I again avail myself of the opportunity to convey to the people of British Columbia my most cordial good wishes for the Christmas and New Year seasons.

"Throughout the province, the Dominion and Empire generally, the ravages of the economic depression are still apparent, but I do feel that the reawakened optimism of the past few months can be accepted as a message of hope for the future.

"Confidence and initiative, which mean so much in the expansion of trade, show definite signs of revival, as is evidenced by Dominion and Empire reports and, combined with courage and co-operation should gradually overcome the many obstacles in the channels of world trade.

"British Columbia, possessing mineral and other resources of great value should, presently, realize the benefits accruing from the increasing Empire and world trade activities, and in conveying the old Yuletide greetings to the people of the province I would also like to express the heartfelt wish that all alike may share in the prosperity which must accompany a return to more prosperous times."

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LOWER TAX RATE FOR EDMONTON

Canadian Press

Edmonton, Dec. 24. — Virtual promise of a reduction of at least nine mills in the city tax rate is the city finance committee's Christmas present for Edmonton taxpayers. The present tax rate is sixty-four mills.

Capitalization of relief charges is regarded as one of the schemes which may bring reduction.

PREMIERS SEND OUT MESSAGES

Mr. Bennett and Provincial Cabinet Heads Say 1935 Outlook Brighter

A merrier Christmas than any in several years, topping off 1934's economic improvement with optimism and well-based hope, will be Canada's to-morrow. The Dominion is pleased with the year that is almost gone and confident of 1935, according to Canadian Press dispatches.

From many parts of the country came holiday messages to-day, including statements from provincial premiers who feel this is a Christmas to mark a festive season that climaxes for the year a period of steady upward climbing in business and trade.

There was no note of disappointment to cloud the review, but a unanimous opinion Canada has ample reason to make this a joyous Christmas.

PREMIER BENNETT'S MESSAGE

In Ottawa Prime Minister R. B. Bennett to-day issued the following message through the Canadian Press:

"At this season of the year Canadians are able to look back with satisfaction and thanksgiving on eighteen months of continuous business and economic progress. The notable improvement of conditions within Canada has aroused Canadians to a renewed appreciation of the immensity of their national heritage. The practical experience of the difficult years, which happily are now past, has resulted in a more profound sense of our moral responsibility as a people for the equitable and efficient organization of our human and physical resources.

"Christmas will bring a greater measure of happiness to every Canadian community. We will rejoice in the knowledge that the rest of the world is likewise enjoying a more abundant Christmastide.

"To my fellow Canadians I sincerely wish every possible joy and happiness for the brightest Christmas our country has seen in years."

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CREW GETS ASHORE AS SCHOONER SINKS

Canadian Press

St. John's, Nfld., Dec. 24.—Eight of the crew of the fishing schooner Jean Smith pulled away from their sinking craft and, taking to the turbulent sea, managed to get to shore at Codroy to-day. Akron Kearley of Belleoram reported his vessel had become unseaworthy in battling the storm and had to be abandoned eight miles off the coast. With a catch of herring under her hatches the Jean Smith was bound for Gloucester, Mass., from Boyos Islands.

Calgary ex-Customs Inspector Succumbs

Canadian Press

Calgary, Dec. 24.—Xavier Saucier, former inspector of the customs branch here, died this morning. He retired some years ago.

J. J. Saucier, private secretary to Prime Minister R. B. Bennett, is a son.

Taking Christmas Cheer to the Needy of Victoria

Fourteen hundred Christmas hampers were distributed to needy families in the city yesterday by the Gyro Christmas Hamper Fund. Co-operation was given the clubmen on all sides as they worked vigorously to provide the hampers. In the above picture is a typical scene in yesterday's work in which tracking concerns, Boy Scouts and others assisted in making the deliveries.

Arrest Follows Attempt To Swim Way To Freedom

Francis G. McSwayne Held By Police After Exchange of Shots in Esquimalt; Charged With Possession of Goods Stolen From Malkin Warehouse; Two Others Escape

After taking to the icy waters of Esquimalt Harbor to evade police capture, and successfully dodging police shots, Francis Graham McSwayne was arrested yesterday evening, and this morning was charged with possession of three cartons of cigarettes, alleged to have been stolen from the H. Malkin Company Limited.

Two other men with the accused as he approached the cache of cigarettes, near the Esquimalt dockyard, escaped through the thick underbrush, after being recognized.

Warrants were sworn out for their arrest this morning.

The arrest followed within forty-eight hours of the robbery of the Malkin warehouse after midnight

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Edmonton Grad Again Injured

Canadian Press

Edmonton, Dec. 24.—Mabel Munton, member of the famed Edmonton Grads Basketball Team, was one of seven girls and women injured here yesterday when their automobile was struck by a street car. The only one seriously injured was her mother, Mrs. Charles Munton, who suffered a fracture of the pelvis and multiple cuts.

Miss Munton, who escaped with slight head injuries, was badly injured a few months ago when, as she was returning from a Grads' practice, a truck leaped a curb and struck down her and another member of the team.

King To Speak On Empire Broadcast

For the third year in succession the British Broadcasting Corporation will broadcast a special Christmas Day programme from the far corners of the empire, concluding with a message from The King.

The programme will open at 5.54 a.m., Victoria time, with the bells of the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem. These will be followed by bells in India, New Zealand, Canada, Ireland and London.

Next scenes in the lives of typical people will be brought from Australia, Southern Rhodesia, India, New Zealand, South Africa, Canada and the Irish Free State.

The Canadian series will include a fisherman's home in the Maritimes, a Quebec lumber camp, and a sawmill in British Columbia. Later in the broadcast Canada will again be heard, this time from a children's skating party in the Rockies and a hockey match in the east.

When the last of the distant relays is finished, at approximately 7 a.m., Victoria time, The King will deliver his Christmas message from Sandringham.

The broadcast, one of the most ambitious ever attempted, will be heard over CFCT, Victoria; CRCV, Vancouver; KPO, KOMO, KOL, KVI and KSL.

New Programme Officer For Radio

Canadian Press from Havas

London, Dec. 24.—Gladstone Murray, a Canadian, has been appointed acting programme controller of the British Broadcasting Corporation. He replaces Col. Alan Dawnay, who has been ordered away on an extended leave by his doctor.

POPE PLEADS AGAINST WAR

Pontiff's Christmas Message Is Prayer For Peace and Goodwill

By ANDRUE BERDING
Associated Press Foreign Staff

Vatican City, Dec. 24.—Pope Pius warned that "the clamor of war spreads ever farther" and urged the world to pray and work for peace in his Christmas address to-day to the Curia of cardinals.

"We see a constant increase in warlike arms," he said. "This is a distracting element in which the spirit seems to have no part. We are on the eve of a day when the heavens resound with the hymns of angels calling for peace on earth.

"Never has a chant had more reason for being than to-day. . . . We wish for peace. We bless peace. But if, in the future, there be some people possessed of a homicidal mania who wish to prepare for war, we shall have another prayer.

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Lord Macmillan May Head Arms Inquiry In Great Britain

Reported He Has Been Invited to Preside Over Investigation Soon to Be Held

Canadian Press

London, Dec. 24.—It is understood Baron Macmillan has been invited to become president of the Royal Commission being established to investigate the armaments business in Great Britain.

It was not immediately known whether he has accepted the position.

Lord Macmillan was chairman of the Royal Commission of five persons which in 1933 investigated the banking system in Canada at the request of the Ottawa Government.

Announcement of the formation of a commission to investigate the armaments business in Britain was made last week by Prime Minister MacDonald just before the House of Commons recessed over the Christmas holiday.

Lord Macmillan is widely known in the judicial field and also for his work as head of numerous investigating commissions and committees in Britain. He headed the so-called Macmillan Commission appointed by the British Government in 1929 to inquire into finance and industry.

He is a Lord of Appeal and a member of the House of Lords.

The Royal Commission on banking, of which he was chairman last year, investigated the Canadian banking system exhaustively, traveling from coast to coast.

WHITECHAPEL POOR GUESTS OF THE KING

Canadian Press

London, Dec. 24.—King George observed what has become an annual custom when 700 of the poorest men and women in the Whitechapel district were his guests at a Christmas tea-party in Whitechapel Sunday. The King inaugurated the custom when he was still Prince of Wales and has continued it every year since.

All Revolvers To Be Registered In 1935

Department of Justice Calls Attention to New Law to Be Enforced Throughout Canada

Ottawa, Dec. 24.—A fine not more than $50 or imprisonment not exceeding thirty days, or both, will be the penalty exacted from those luckless persons caught with unregistered revolvers or pistols on and after January 1 next.

Proclamation of an amendment to the Criminal Code which fixes these penalties, sets the date when registration will become compulsory as New Year's Day.

In a statement from the Department of Justice it is set forth that registration of pistols or revolvers is in no wise authority for persons to carry these weapons on their persons. Where permits are required by the owners of pistols and revolvers these must be obtained in addition to the registration required.

METHOD OF REGISTRATION

Registration of pistols and revolvers will be performed in Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, New Brunswick,

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Prairies Have Sub-zero Weather and Snow; Touch Of White At Vancouver

BETTY GOW, ON VOYAGE, IS GUARDED

Associated Press

Greenock, Scotland, Dec. 24.—A relative of Betty Gow, who was nurse of the slain Lindbergh baby, said to-day she was en route to the United States under close guard because, "to be quite frank, we fear something may happen to her." She is going to testify in the case against Bruno Hauptmann.

This relative, who would not allow his name to be used, said she was on the liner Aquitania, due to arrive in New York to-day.

FIFTY-SEVEN ON TRIAL SOON

Many Already in Montreal; Police Watch Others in Maritimes

Canadian Press

Montreal, Dec. 24.—Royal Canadian Mounted Police to-day had under close observation in the three Maritime Provinces thirteen of the eighteen persons who failed to surrender voluntarily under a blanket warrant charging them with conspiracy to defraud the Dominion and Quebec governments of $5,000,000 through illicit movement of alcohol.

The men, Montreal headquarters stated, had had the warrant served on them since the deadline for voluntary appearance ended Saturday, and would be brought to Montreal for arraignment immediately after Christmas.

They are in Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. Yesterday a constable from the Montreal division left for Prince Edward Island. Another constable was to join him at Rimouski, Que., and the two would pick up those from the island province and return via Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, to secure suspects there.

BIG LIST

As a result fifty-seven persons are expected shortly to appear for trial before the Court of King's Bench here. In legal circles it was stated a preferred indictment would be prepared by the attorney-general of Quebec so that preliminary hearing would be waived, the case going directly from arraignment court to Court of King's Bench.

London, Dec. 24.—Facing a charge of smuggling into Canada alcoholic liquors to the value of $5,000,000, William Alexander Yule of Halifax, N.S., appeared in Bow Street police court to-day and agreed to waive all formalities and return to Canada to meet the charge as soon as possible.

On the understanding Yule would voluntarily return to the Dominion without delay, he was remanded after pleading not guilty to the charge.

Yule, described as a "general commission agent," formerly of Montreal, but now of Halifax, was arrested at Southampton on Saturday on a provisional warrant issued on behalf of the Canadian authorities under the Fugitive Offenders Act.

Yule was one of the sixty-one persons named in a blanket warrant charging conspiracy to defraud the Dominion and Quebec governments of $5,000,000 through the illicit movement of alcohol.

New Army Call Issued in Bolivia

La Paz, Bolivia, Dec. 24.—The government yesterday issued a general mobilization decree which includes the conscripts of the 1936 period and the reservists of 1911 and 1914.

FIRST AIR MAIL OVER LONG ROUTE

Canadian Press

London, Dec. 24.—The first regular air mail from Australia reached Croydon airport to-day, three minutes ahead of the twelve-day schedule for the 12,000-mile flight, the longest regular air route in the world.

The two Imperial Airways planes carrying the mails brought a load of 1¾ tons, of which half a ton was from Australia, and included a special blue bag containing Christmas greetings and presents from the Duke of Gloucester, third son of the King and Queen, to members of the royal family.

BALANCING BUDGET

Vienna, Dec. 24 (Canadian Press from Havas)—By strict economy, and without tax increases or salary reductions, Austria has almost balanced its budget, Finance Minister Dr. Karl Buresch announced to-day.

FINE WEATHER IS EXPECTED

Christmas Day Will Probably Dawn Clear and Cold, With Sunshine Following

Victorians may look forward to fine, colder weather for Christmas, with no prospects of snow, except what fell on the Sooke Hills during the night. This was the message forecast at the Meteorological Observatory on Gonzales Hill this morning.

To-morrow will probably be a day of sunshine, with just enough hint of frost in the air to suitably mark the holiday.

A strong gale blew over the city during the night, and at 2 o'clock this morning there was a heavy downpour of rain which awakened many people. The greatest wind velocity was between 6 and 7 o'clock this morning, when it blew at the rate of fifty miles an hour. The sea off Victoria was whipped into whitecaps and ships docking at Victoria had rather a difficult time.

The rainfall for December is already above the average, F. Napier Denison, superintendent at the Gonzales Observatory, said this morning. The yearly precipitation will also be above average, he said.

Meanwhile there is below zero in the interior portions of the province, in Alaska and the Yukon and at prairie points. At Prince George this morning it was 10 below zero, Dawson had it 48 below and Atlin 28 below. Prince Rupert was only 18 above. It was 20 below in Edmonton and 26 below in Prince Albert. Heavy rains were general throughout the State of Oregon and in northern California.

NEW PEERAGE

London, Dec. 24 (Associated Press).—The London Daily Mirror said to-day the Aga Khan, sportsman and spiritual head of millions of Mohammedans, will be raised to the peerage in the King's New Year's honor list.

Santa Claus Finds Suitable Conditions in Great Area Between Lakes and Rocky Mountains

No Golf This Time at Calgary

Canadian Press

Winnipeg, Dec. 24. — Santa Claus is going to have nippy weather for his quick visit to Canada's prairie cities and hamlets to-night.

Alberta and Saskatchewan shivered, with blizzards in some parts, and Manitoba had zero weather with a light snow falling.

A high wind whipped snow in blizzard style in southern Saskatchewan, with the mercury down [illegible] north it was around eighteen to twenty-three below, with Saskatoon reporting eighteen below.

NO GOLF AT CALGARY

Calgary — where Christmas Day golf is often celebrated—had twenty below. Edmonton reported twenty-four below. Storms preceded the drop in temperatures.

Winnipeg's weather was ideal for Christmas shopping, just a few points above the zero mark. It was fifteen below yesterday. At Portage la Prairie, Brandon and other Manitoba points sub-zero temperatures were reported.

Canadian Press

Vancouver, Dec. 24.—A very seasonable touch to the landscape, snow, which fell over Greater Vancouver Sunday evening was fast disappearing to-day before a brilliant sun and fresh westerly wind. Starting in the early evening, flakes fell to a depth of about three inches in the easterly section of the city, while in the westerly portion much of it melted as soon as it fell.

Despite the bright sky, the official forecast is "unsettled, with occasional rain or sleet."

Work All Night Loading Hampers

Gyro Club Began Distribution Early Yesterday Morning and Placed 1,337 Hampers Before Noon; Much Gratitude Expressed

At 7.30 o'clock yesterday morning the first truck left on its delivery rounds with Gyro Christmast hampers. At 10.30 o'clock 1,337 hampers had been distributed to homes throughout the city. This morning the Gyros still had 100 odd cases of food on their hands for last minute deliveries.

Saturday night was a hectic night in the packing department at the corner of Yates and Vancouver Streets. Thirty-five members of the Gyro Club started working early in the evening on the final packing of perishable goods and the loading. They knocked off work at 4 a.m. Sunday, and were back again at 7.30 a.m. Ten members worked all night and morning without sleep. The girls in the delivery department left for home somewhere around 4.30 a.m.

Ed Whyte, manager of the packing department, who has been the brains behind the great work of packing and delivering Christmas cheer, calculates that in two days he had exactly thirty minutes sleep. Mr. Whyte this morning looked himself again after a full night's rest. He expressed himself as very pleased with the work of his department, which went off with practically no hitches.

The Gyros were aided in their work of delivering hampers by thirty of the largest scouts in the city. Each truck went out on its rounds with a driver, one Gyro and two scouts on board.

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FIVE ARE HELD AFTER BURGLARY

Canadian Press

Vancouver, Dec. 24.—Five men have been arrested for investigation and a quantity of stolen goods has been recovered by police, who followed tracks in the snow from the scene of a burglary.

W. Hutchinson reported his home had been burglarized. Officers discovered tracks in the newly fallen snow and followed them to a house some distance away, where they found seven persons and some property which they stated had been taken from the Hutchinson home. Five of the persons were booked for investigation.

ALL LEAVES ENDED IN GERMAN ARMY

Fears of Revolt in Nazi Storm Troops Are Reported to Exist

Canadian Press from Havas

Berlin, Dec. 24.—Fears of a new revolt in the ranks of the storm troops or a clash between the Reichswehr and the Hitler special blackshirt guards (Schutz-Staffel) were seen to-day as motivating cancellation of Christmas leaves in the German army. This step came on the heels of a wave of widespread arrests.

Despite the declaration by Premier Hermann Wilhelm Goering that "there will not be another June 30" it has been apparent for some time that the storm troops are not yet satisfied that "the National Socialist revolution" is at an end.

Furthermore, the storm troops, who were drastically "purged" by Chancellor Adolf Hitler on June 30 last, were said to be far from reconciled with a "back seat" assigned to them since the Reichswehr became, according to Hitler's own declaration, the only military pillar of the Third Reich.

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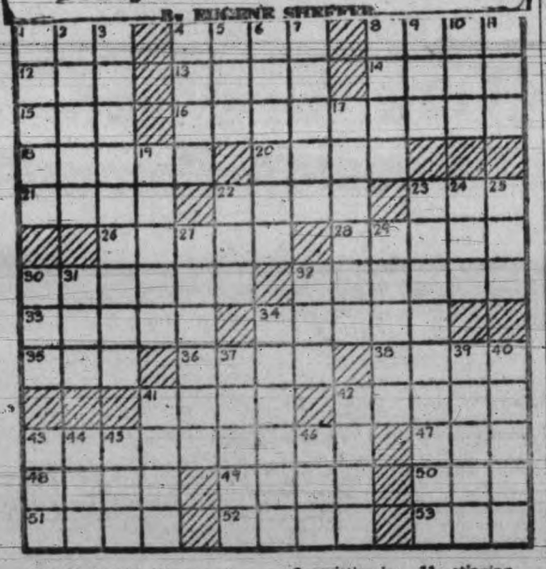
Today's Cross-Word Puzzle

By EUGENE SHEFFER



HORIZONTAL

1—involuntary twitching
4—island east of Java
8—crustacean
12—fuss
13—tumult
14—govern
15—human beings
16—capable of being modified
18—walked with measured steps
20—Mohammedan priest
21—gradual
22—mail
23—uppermost part
26—fortification
29—decree of the sultan
30—frameworks
32—more lacking in worldly goods
33—cease!
34—commonplace
35—moist
36—Persian poet
38—undermines
41—desolation
42—room under the roof
43—insert between
47—winged part
48—meadows
49—feminine name
50—short sleep
51—annual season of fasting
52—sinks in the middle
53—take to court

VERTICAL

1—drives in by a succession of light blows
2—existing in imagination only
3—covenant
4—thin, small nail
5—be affected with pain
6—liquid medicinal preparation
7—newspaper paragraphs
8—stuff
9—subject to pressure
10—everything
11—stinging insect
17—fixed daily allowance
19—wide-mouthed pitchers
22—dance step
23—thin muslins
24—poem
25—through
27—deviation from a direct course
29—cook by exposure before a fire
30—cry of the crow
31—hail!
33—established value
34—fruit
37—units of distance
39—Oriental dish of rice boiled with meat
40—shaft, as of a feather
41—respite
42—finds the total
43—sick
44—born
45—convert into leather
46—carriage with its horses

Herewith is the solution to yesterday's puzzle.

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Special Christmas Services To-morrow

Anglican, Lutheran and Roman Catholic Congregations Will Take Part in Celebrations Commencing To-night

Christmas Day to-morrow will be marked with special celebrations in Anglican, Lutheran and Roman Catholic Churches of the city. Midnight mass will also be held in the latter churches.

The services in Christ Church Cathedral will commence with a celebration of Holy Communion at 11.30 o'clock to-night. The Holy Communion will be celebrated on Christmas Day at 6, 7, 8 and 9.15 o'clock. At 11 o'clock the service will be shortened matin followed by a choral celebration of Holy Communion when Charles Wood's setting will be sung. The preacher at this service will be the Bishop of Columbia. All offertories at the Christmas services will be given to the diocesan clergy and widows pension fund.

ST. JOHN'S

The services for Christmas Day at St. John's Church will consist of Holy Communion at 7.15 a.m, Holy Communion at 8 a.m. and morning prayer and Holy Communion at 11 o'clock.

The church has been beautifully decorated with everygreens, holly and white chrysanthemums, and special Christmas music will be rendered by the choir. The music will include the great Christmas hymns, "O Come All Ye Faithful," "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" and "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night." The "Te Deum" will be sung to Dykes's setting, the "Kyrie" by Mendelssohn, and the "Sanctus" by Plummer. The anthem will bee "Zion That Bringest Good Tidings." The rector, Rev. Canon F. A. P. Chadwick, will deliver a short Christmas message at the 11 o'clock service.

The Bishop of Victoria will celebrate Pontifical High Mass in St. Andrew's Cathedral at midnight on Christmas Eve, assisted by the Rev. J. A. Gaudette as assistant priest, Rev. John Osborne and Rev. J. Willhelm as deacons of the throne, and the Rev. C. T. Albury and Rev. T. Guekers as deacon and subdeacon of the mass respectively.

The choir, under the direction of Arthur Cownden, and accompanied by Marguerite McKay, will render St. [illegible] soloists will be Mrs. S. J. Shanks, Miss V. Colbert, and Neville Shanks. The introit, gradual, alleluia, offertory and communion will be the traditional Gregorian, Vatican edition. The processional will be the "Pontifical March" by Tombelle, and the recessional "Tocatta Fugue in B Minor" by Bach.

Christmas carols will be sung during the half-hour preceding the mass. Soloists include Madame Griffaton, who will sing "Minuit Chretienne," Mrs. Kathleen Lavelle, who will sing "Ave Maria," by Bach-Gounod. During the vesting of the bishop Walter Cownden will sing "Ecce Nomen Domini Emmanuel" (Gregorian) and John Kissinger will take the solo parts of "Gesu Bambino" by Pietro Yon.

The masses on Christmas Day will be at 8 o'clock, 9.30 o'clock and 11 o'clock. The 11 o'clock service will be a low mass, during which Christmas carols will be sung. It will be followed by benediction of the Blessed Secrament. There will be no evening service.

St. Mary's, Oak Bay—Christmas Day: Holy Communion, 6.45, 8, 9.30 and 12 noon. Matins and sermon, 11 o'clock. Offerings for clergy and widows' and orphans' fund. Wednesday, St. Stephen's Day, Holy Communion, 10.30 o'clock; Thursday, St. John's Day, 10.30; Friday, Holy Innocents' Day.

St. Paul's Naval—Christmas Day: Holy Communion, 7 and 8 o'clock; Holy Communion and sermon, 10.30. Preacher, Rev. Alan Gardiner. The rector will be assisted by Rev. A. P. Balfour-Bruce and Bishop Exton G. Lloyd, formerly of the diocese of Saskatchewan.

St. Saviour's Church—Christmas Day: Holy Communion, 8 o'clock, Holy Communion and sermon, 11 o'clock.

St. Michael's Church—Christmas Day: 8 and 11 o'clock. Preacher, Rev. F. Comley.

St. Columba's Church—11 o'clock. Preacher, Rev. Robert Connell.

St. Luke's Church—Christmas Day: Holy Comunion, 8 o'clock; morning prayer, Holy Communion and sermon at 11 o'clock. Rev. S. Ryall.

St. Alban's Church—Christmas Day: Holy Communion, 7 and 9 o'clock; morning prayer, 11 o'clock. Rev. F. W. Weaver.

St. John's Church, Colwood—Christmas Day: 8 and 9.30 o'clock. Rev. A. M. Acheson-Lyle.

St. Matthias' Church, Langford—11 o'clock. Rev. A. M. Acheson-Lyle.

St. Mary's Church, Metchosin—Christmas Day: 8 and 11 o'clock. Rev. W. C. Gemmill.

Holy Trinity Church, Sooke—11 o'clock. Rev. H. M. Bolton.

St. Martin's-in-the-Fields—8 and 11 o'clock. Rev. Canon H. W. G. Stocken.

Grace Lutheran Church—Christmas Day, 7 o'clock. Sermon by pastor, Rev. T. A. Jansen, "God With Us." Music. "The Song and the Star," "The Birth of the Saviour." A carol service at 7 p.m. Anthems, "The Christmas Glory Song" and "The Angels' Song."

St. Paul's Lutheran Church—Christmas Day, 7 p.m. Pastor, Rev. A. Schormann.

Central Baptist Church—Christmas Day, 11 o'clock. Preacher, Rev. J. B. Rowell. "The Christ of the Bethlehem Story; the Testimony of the Prophets and the Sevenfold Magnificat."

Liberal Catholic Church—Christmas Eve Midnight Mass, 11.30 o'clock. Christmas Day, Holy Eucharist, 11 o'clock.

First Spiritualist Church—Rooms open from 4 o'clock. Mrs. Harrison and Miss Pearson in attendance.

Scout News

The First Cathedral Scouts held their weekly meeting on Friday. The duty patrol leader opened the meeting in the usual manner, after which dues were collected and inspection held. A brief period of instruction was given, followed by two or three games. Members of the group committee were present, supplying the boys with an enjoyable "bun feed" with wieners and cocoa. The turkey tombola tickets were then drawn by boys who had sold the highest number of tickets. The meeting then closed in the usual manner.

Regina Archbishop Is to Go to Toronto

Canadian Press

Rome, Dec. 24.—The Pope to-day announced the transfer of Most Rev. James McGuigan, Archbishop of Regina, to the archdiocese of Toronto.

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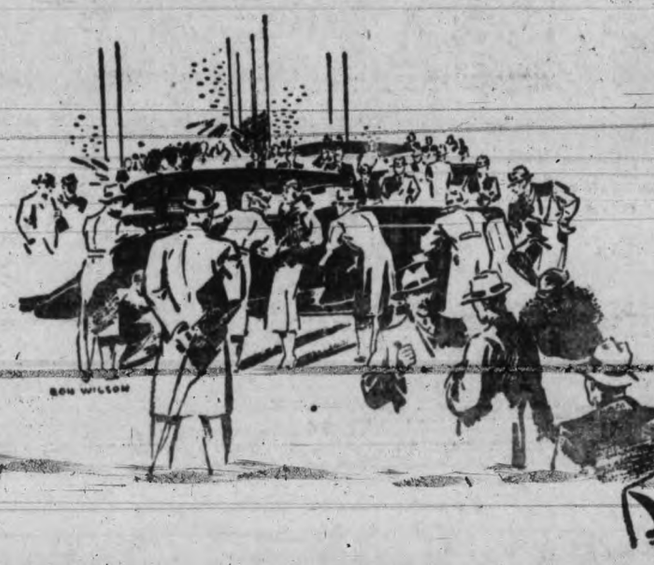
St. Mary's Church

CHRISTMAS DAY
6.45 a.m.—Holy Communion
8.00 a.m.—Holy Communion
9.30 a.m.—Holy Communion
11 a.m.—Matins and Sermon
12 Noon—Holy Communion

St. Paul's Garrison Church

Rector,
REV. ALAN GARDINER, M.A., B.D.
CHRISTMAS DAY
Holy Communion at 7 and 8 a.m.
Holy Communion and Sermon at 10.30 a.m.,
Preacher, The Rector



NEWS FOR 1935

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HAPPINESS IN FEEDING BIRDS

Septuagenarian Carries Much Bread to Feathered Visitors in Winnipeg Park

Canadian Press

Winnipeg, Dec. 24.—John A. Huein is Winnipeg's bird man. During the four years he has resided here he has walked approximately 3,800 miles to carry bread crumbs to feathered friends that frequent Notre Dame Park in the west end of the city.

Three times a day during the summer months the seventy-one-year-old veteran makes his way to a sheltered corner of the park where his approach is heralded by flapping wings. Residents in the vicinity set their clocks by the passing of the familiar figure.

The distance from his home to the park is roughly half a mile. Two visits daily are made during the cold winter months. Devotion to his winged vagrants started many years ago in Elmira, Ont., where he was born, and as far as his friends know he has never missed a day.

The simple explanation of the old gentleman for his daily ritual is: "The excursions into Nature keep me young; the exercise keeps me healthy, and watching the little fellows eat affords me the greatest of entertainment."

FOUR DIE IN FIRE IN HOTEL

Carlsbad, N.M., Dec. 24.—Four persons lost their lives and five others were severely burned in a fire which destroyed a hotel here yesterday.

Th cause of the fire was not determined.

LANGFORD

Services on Christmas Day in St. Matthew's will be at 10 a.m. followed by the Holy Communion service. The church has been decorated with greenery and holly for the Christmas services. Carols were sung at the morning service on Sunday.

Exports From Canada Expand

Increase of 30.6 Per Cent to British Empire; United Kingdom Best Customer

Canadian Press

Ottawa, Dec. 24.—An increase of 30.6 per cent, or more than $56,000,000, was shown in exports to British Empire countries during the eight months ended November 30, when they totaled $242,235,000 as compared with $185,476,000 in the corresponding period last year, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics reports.

The United Kingdom was the best customer with $196,236,000, against $153,152,000 in the same period of 1933, while Australia was next with $11,702,000 in comparison with $37,446,000.

Exports to foreign countries during the eight-month period ended November 30 totaled $207,670,000, an increase of 3.4 per cent, or nearly $7,000,000, as compared with $200,807,000 in the same period last year, the report states. The United States was the best customer witn $140,389,000, in comparison with $123,946,000 in the corresponding months last year.

"Build B.C. Payrolls"

"Merry Christmas"

The writer likes Christmas so much, there is an urge to refer to it, especially as the demand for Pacific Milk, now noticeably high, does not depend upon what we say.

So, kindest regards — Merry Christmas—to all patrons of this good milk.

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Prairie Farmess Now Exporting Barley

Growers Find New Market As Result of Liquor Manufacture in United States

Canadian Press

Winnipeg, Dec. 24.—End of prohibition in the United States has brought a measure of prosperity to Manitoba farmers and to many in northern areas of Saskatchewan and Alberta, and resulted in a paradox previously almost unknown in the grain trade. Barley to-day is worth more than Canada's finest wheat.

Two years ago barley was cheaper than fuel. It was used as such in countless farm homes of the prairies. Farmers, too poor to buy coal or wood, fed their almost worthless barley into stoves to heat their homes. For all the farmers received, it was not worth hauling it to elevators.

The picture has changed. Barley prices have risen and farmers are relying on it more than on wheat to pull them out of the depression. Thirsty United States citizens have created a demand for barley, and Canada in the five months of the current crop season has exported more than in the entire crop year of 1932-33.

PRICES COMPARED

On December 22, 1932, the best feed barley, 3 c.w., brought only 13 cents a bushel net to the farmer, based on an average freight rate of 10 cents a bushel. Six-row barley the best malting grade, netted him only 16½ cents. These prices were less than the cost of production.

Seed barley sold over the week-end at 41½ cents a bushel and the malting variety at 61 cents. The price of No. 1 northern wheat, second only to No. 1 hard wheat in quality, was 58½ cents, based on an average freight rate for wheat of 13.2 cents a bushel.

Due to drought, the United States had not enough barley for its needs and was forced to import from Canada. In the 1932-33 crop year Canada's total exports of barley were 5,391,000 bushels. So far this season more than 6,000,000 bushels have been shipped to the United States alone.

USED FOR BEER

With barley an indispensable ingredient in the manufacture of beer, the rise in prices is attributed directly to the end of prohibition in the United States. Manitoba farmers have been the chief beneficiaries of the higher values, most of Canada's barley being raised in this province.

The price of "screenings," sweepings of all grains mixed together and left over in the grain elevators, also has advanced. Two years ago elevators gave screenings away for the way roundhouse at Fort William was heated by screenings. To-day they were worth $'3 a ton.

LEAVE OTTAWA FOR YULETIDE

Ministers Return Home; Premier Spends Holiday in New Brunswick

Ottawa, Dec. 24.—Christmas-tide drew a curtain across all political and most governmental activities in the capital Saturday and although departments were open for business as usual to-day a majority of the ministers were absent.

More than half the members of the cabinet are out of Ottawa, including Prime Minister R. B. Bennett, who left yesterday for Sackville, N.B., where he will spend the holiday with his brother, Captain Ronald Bennett. It is expected his sister and her husband, Hon. W. D. Herridge, Canadian Minister to the United States, and their young son, will also join the family party at Sackville.

The Prime Minister will probably spend New Year's Day in Ottawa.

PREPARING FOR SESSION

Departmental heads have been busy for several weeks preparing for the session of Parliament and the estimates are well advanced.

Two sets are being prepared, one showing the 10 per cent civil service salary reduction continued and the other with salaries restored. The state of the revenues will dictate which will be presented to Parliament.

Most outstanding of legislation known to be under consideration are the Unemployment Insurance Bill and the legislation to be prepared in the light of abuses in business and industry as revealed in evidence before the mass buying commission.

FINGERS SENT TO MAGISTRATE

Associated Press

Bruges, Belgium, Dec. 24.—A carefully wrapped parcel containing eight human fingers and two thumbs, neatly packed and labelled, reached a surprised magistrate here yesterday, quest directed to a communal guard at Vlisseghen to send the fingerprints of a person who had committed suicide by drowning.

After Christmas Garment Sale!

Commences Thursday, December 27

See Wednesday's Times For Full Particulars

IN GOOD times and poor times Christmas always brings a cheerfulness which renews our faith and gives to us courage to face the New Year with a determination to make it a happier and better year than any which have gone before. It also gives us an opportunity to express a sincere wish that all our friends may share this cheer.

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In extending to its patrons and friends the greetings of the season, the C.N.R. is glad to record a year of improvement over that immediately preceding, and to express its anticipation that the coming year will maintain this upswing in business. All Canada is, of course, interested in the welfare of its railroads—improved conditions for them means improved conditions generally.

But the realization of our hopes depends upon the patronage which the public gives us.

At this season of goodwill, it may be appropriate to suggest that those who are in a position to do so can confer a boon on their fellow-citizens by ridding themselves of hampering and groundless fears and by adopting instead an attitude of confidence and co-operation. Let them not be afraid to spend according to their means. In a very real sense every Canadian who consumes, wears or uses anything—and that means everybody—is an employer of labor. Increased use of commodities and services will provide increased employment, and increased employment is the answer to Canada's need to-day. 1935 will be a happy year if each one does his part to provide more work.

The C.N.R. seeks the goodwill of all Canadians. It looks for, and will strive to merit a greater measure of patronage, a fuller opportunity to be of service. The expenditure of just a few more dollars per head of population, during the coming year, on the services the Company provides, will not only be of prime importance to the C.N.R., but will also be of benefit to all workmen and merchants in Canada—it will help to consolidate gains which have been made, and will strengthen the impetus toward better times—it will bring an added degree of prosperity and renewed hope to the people of the Dominion.

And it will be a worthwhile expenditure because of what the C.N.R. gives — speedy and reliable transportation, courteous and efficient service, reasonable rates and fares all the year round, and special low rates and fares on many occasions, such, for example, as the present holiday time.

Let us, then, have a Merry Christmastide and a Happy New Year.

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CHRISTMAS

ONLY A FEW YEARS AGO ON CHRISTmas Eve we were priding ourselves on the fact that times were good, that we found ourselves more than a decade away from the greatest, most futile, most costly human conflagration in history. Not all the wounds, physical or economic, as a result of that frightful calamity had been healed; but sober thought in the meantime had given mankind a new perspective. The prospect of the Brotherhood of Man almost looked like realization.

On this Christmas Eve the old wounds are being irritated. Just at the time the world is celebrating the birth of the Prince of Peace there is much talk of war. Money which would feed hungry millions is being spent on the instruments of destruction; profits are going into the pockets of the "merchants of death" in a greater measure than they were going in 1914—yet the war which was to end war has been fought since then.

Perhaps this is a somewhat melancholy reflection; but the facts have to be faced. On the other hand, we may consider the brighter side and hope that because there is so much talk of war, the danger of it breaking out is less than it was in 1914, when, only a week or so before the tragic Sarajevo affair, statesmen were affirming in the most definite terms that not in many years had the nations of the world been more friendly toward one another.

We have the League of Nations, striving to promote peace on earth and preserve goodwill among men. It has done much in the comparatively short period [illegible] in its operations. It can not perform miracles. But it may be reasonably proud of the fact that the influence it has used in international disputes in many instances has prevented war. There are those who scoff at the League. Do they not realize that when they do so they are scoffing at the Nazarine? Only fools, of course, scoff at this first experiment to unite the peoples of the world in common friendship. They know not what they do.

We, as Canadians, are particularly fortunate in many ways. Although modern science has contracted the world very substantially, we are removed from the atmosphere of international discord. We still have serious economic difficulties to surmount. But we are beginning to feel that the trials and tribulations of the last five years are slowly passing into the background, that our national consciousness, our national spirit, our staunch Canadianism, resting on a firm foundation, will see us through to better times—assist us to a more reasonable understanding of real values so that we shall not repeat the errors of the past.

We have everything in our favor if we will only toe the line. On the south of us there are 130,000,000 people with whom we are on the friendliest of terms. We may look with the utmost satisfaction upon our position among the nations of the world. We may be especially gratified with the role we are playing as a self-governing member of the Britannic Commonwealth of Nations. Our citizens want to live in peace; they want to contribute in the fullest measure toward the establishment of goodwill among men—which is particularly associated with Christmas.

BRITISH COLUMBIA CAN AFFORD STATE HEALTH INSURANCE

THERE ARE SOME WHO ARE SAYING that British Columbia "in times like these" can not afford a system of State Health Insurance—although they are quite convinced that such a system is necessary.

If those who are in doubt about the question will take the time and trouble to study a few government reports and, incidentally, a set of informative statistics furnished by the United States Committee on the Costs of Medical Care, they probably will change their minds and come to the conclusion that even "in times like these" British Columbia *can* afford a system of State Health Insurance.

It is not necessary to be an actuary or a statistician or a financial expert to get at the facts and the cost of the scheme which Hon. G. M. Weir, Provincial Secretary, has in mind and which we assume he will submit to the Legislature at its next session. First of all it should be understood that while the reports of the Committee on the Costs of Medical Care show that all health work in the neighboring republic cost about thirty dollars per person in 1929, there is good reason to believe that the cost per person in British Columbia in the present year was about forty per cent less, or approximately eighteen dollars per person. Our total cost this year—estimating from the United States institution and from partial provincial figures—was probably accounted for as follows:

Doctors	$ 2,500,000
Dentists	1,250,000
Hospitals (except mental)	3,500,000
Medicines	2,750,000
Other	2,500,000
Total	$12,500,000

To go on further and calculate the total costs of bad health in British Columbia we should add the cost of mental hospitals, about $1,100,000 according to the provincial estimates; the cost of the one-third of all deaths that are preventable, some $21,000,000 if we scale down the Committee on the Costs of Medical Care estimates by forty per cent; and the cost of illness in wage loss to workers, some $2,000,000 at an average wage loss of fifteen dollars per week. The four items add up to more than $35,000,000—British Columbia's total annual bill at present for bad health, in direct and indirect costs, which the people of the province are actually paying.

And yet at the same time great numbers of the poorer people are receiving quite inadequate and unsatisfactory care. This is a major reason which explains why British Columbia has so many preventable deaths and so much time loss from work on account of sickness, with the huge hidden costs that these items bring.

How much of the annual medical costs bill of $12,500,000 do British Columbia's provincial and municipal governments pay? The province, this year, according to the estimates for 1934-35, and the public accounts for 1932-33, must be paying about as follows:

Hospitals and physicians	$ 812,000
Board of Health	121,000
Relief medical service (roughly)	150,000
Tranquille Sanatorium	175,000
Total	$1,258,000

The municipalities must be spending at least as much on health work. Thus our governments are now paying, together, about $2,500,000—exclusive of $1,000,000 or more they spend jointly on mental hospitals.

The question then is: What would a system of State Health Insurance cost British Columbia? Let us assume a scheme that would provide complete medical service—doctors, dentists, hospitals, nurses, etc.—that would provide cash benefits of ten dollars a week on the average; one that would cover all wage earners in industries apart from agriculture, including the unemployed, with their dependents, about 500,000 in number. Let us suppose further that out of the funds collected we provide an average payment of $3,000 per year for the 600 odd doctors in the province, $2,000 for some 300 dentists and about sixty per cent of their present receipts for the other branches of health service with an allowance of $500,000 for administration costs.

Then the costs of medical care of the insured population probably would work out roughly as follows:

Doctors	$1,800,000
Dentists	600,000
Hospitals (except mental)	2,100,000
Medicines	1,500,000
Other	1,500,000
Administration	500,000
Total	$8,000,000

This would provide for complete medical care at an average price of sixteen dollars per insured person. In view of the fact that the Committee on the Costs of Medical Care estimated that complete medical service could be provided in the United States in 1929 at around thirty dollars per year, our figure would not seem unreasonable for British Columbia to-day—with depression prices and incomes in effect.

It may be supposed further that the province and the municipalities together contribute $2,000,000 to provide care for the unemployed and their dependents who number perhaps twenty-five per cent of the total group of 500,000. This would leave a sum of $6,000,000 to be raised from contributions by employers and employed wage-earners. And it would involve a yearly contribution of about thirty-six dollars for each of the employed workers, some 165,000 in number. If the employer and worker each contributed half, this would mean a weekly contribution of seventy-five cents each.

Assuming that the total charge of $1.50 per week were increased by forty cents or by ten dollars per year, this would provide an additional fund yearly of $1,500,000 that would make possible a cash benefit of ten dollars per week on the average for every worker compelled to give up work on account of sickness. Thus a complete scheme to provide medical service under all heads and cash benefits would cost about $9,500,000 per year.

The province and the municipalities need pay no more for health work than they do at present. And who is there to say that a charge of forty-six dollars per year equally divided between workers and employers is impossible for them to stand even under present circumstances in view of the great gains of adequate medical service and economic security which the plan would bring to wage-earners and their families?

Everybody concerned, it seems to us, would be better off under this system. The doctors, dentists, hospitals and nurses would be assured of regular incomes from the insurance fund and they would have the proceeds of private practice with many of the most prosperous members of the population. Public health would be protected by adequate medical care for those who are not getting it at present and the hidden costs of preventable death and absence from work on account of illness should be reduced. And what probably will be most amazing of all to some doubting spirits is the slender likelihood that existing governmental expenditures on health work would increase at all.

All of this may be rough and ready figuring; but a little exercise with pencil and paper convinces us at least that State Health Insurance is not merely good social policy but also good business.

WHAT OTHER PAPERS SAY

CORRECT

La Presse, Montreal

Will Mr. Dufresne, Director of Police in Montreal, succeed by the measures which he proposes to adopt in convincing pedestrians of the necessity of obeying traffic lights placed at the principal intersections of the city and of not crossing the streets at any old place? It is a question, if we understand it rightly, of educating the public, and of taking time and patience to persuade it. The example of the City of London, where the police authorities have made a similar experiment without obtaining satisfactory results, should not discourage us: there is a chance that it may be crowned with success here, it being well understood that the mentality of our population is not entirely similar to that of the Londoners.

Loose Ends

And so the old festival comes around again—and makes us think of other times and other places—that seemed better than these modern days.

By BRUCE HUTCHISON

HERE AGAIN

SO WE come to Christmas Eve again. The eve of the great Christian festival which marks the first day of our era. Christmas Eve in a Christian world which, in 1,934 years, has traveled a considerable distance from the manger in Bethlehem. Nineteen hundred and thirty-four years ago came a Prophet who proclaimed peace and goodwill among men, and to-day His devoted followers in all parts of the world are busy getting ready for mass murder, are robbing their neighbors, crushing the weak and generally dmonstrating thir Christianity in a fashion which its Founder probably did not foresee.

Yes, historians will write with some cynicism and amusement about this period when the birth of Christ will generally be observed by pleasant fleshly indulgences and more ill will than the world has known in a thousand years. Historians will see only these obvious facts. They will never appreciate, because the memory of it will be lost, the extraordinary outburst of quiet kindliness, the nameless and unknown acts of charity, the real welling up of human decency which occurs at this season and shows that while we are undoubtedly mad as a civilization there is still a spark of better nature in us as individual people.

ANOTHER CHRISTMAS

I AM thinking to-night of Christmas away from civilization, in remote places where the old simplicity of the festival still remains, where th mad rush of the world has not yet penetrated. I am thinking of Christmas on the great plateau of Grandpa O'Shea, where the stars will glisten to-night on the even white snow and the breath of the horses on the range will steam up, white, into the darkness, and the sheep will huddle close together in their sheds, as they must have huddled in that other stable long ago.

A great fire of crackling pine from [illegible] will [illegible] the lights stone fireplace to-night. In the corner will be a giant Christmas tree that the young O'Sheas, the fourth generation of them, will have cut in the woods above the upper field and dragged home over the snow. The first Christmas tree stood in that corner eighty years ago when this one room, built of newly-hewn logs, was the entire house on the plateau and Grandpa O'Shea was a young man.

And they will stand about the piano in the light of the fire and sing the old Christmas carols as they have sung them on Christmas Eve since those first days, and presently the Indians from the village at the bottom of the hill will ride up on their cayuses, swinging their arms to keep warm, and will steal shyly into the big kitchen for their Christmas treat. To each of them will be given a present, and to every little brown-skinped child a big bag of candy and oranges and mince tarts that have been prepared days in advance. They will listen to the carol singing with wide, wondering eyes, saying nothing, and presently they will ride away again down the hill, three and four children to a pony, laughing and giggling.

THE OLD WAY

AND when the fourth generation of O'Shea's have gone to bed, the three great stockings that they have hung on the mantelshelf will mysteriously acquire a bulging load of toys and candy and fruit and nuts, presents will be hung on the Christmas tree and the grown-up O'Sheas will go to bed properly worn out.

To-morrow the guests will come from miles around, in cars, in sleighs, on horseback, and there will be two gigantic turkeys at the head of the long table where Grandpa O'Shea used to start carving before he was quite finished saying grace. And the lean, hard inhabitants of the plateau will make away with unbelievable helpings of everything until little is left of the two turkeys—just enough so that, when they are tired of dancing in the living-room, they may sneak out to the vast pantry at midnight and refresh themselves in the good old way.

IN THE BIG WOODS

THEY will be making ready for Christmas, too, in the old log house that David Forsyth built in our island forest fifty years ago. To-morrow all the old-timers will arrive for dinner, as they have done for half a century—the aged doctor and his wife who stopped here to fish in the lake on their way home to England from India in 1891 and have stayed ever since; the lonely bachelor from the North Arm of the Lake who lives with his dog, six chickens and three hives of bees and, as everybody knows, is harmlessly mad; the aged German professor who was thought to be a dangerous spy during the war because he used to look up and down the lake with a telescope; the impoverished author and his wife who live on a houseboat no bigger than a dog kennel and are said to eat nothing between one Christmas dinner at Forysth's and another, and old Henry Buscombe from up the crik who shoots cougars for a living, who will wear his single white, stiff collar for the occasion without a tie, because he has none, and who will be loaned a pair of carpet slippers because his calked shoes would spoil the floor.

They will dine to-morrow on a monstrous turkey that has been hand-fed by old Mrs. Forsyth and coddled like a favorite child since last spring. They will wash it down with some of Mrs. Forsyth's home-made wine and old Buscombe, after the fifth glass, will dance a sailors' hornpipe and imitate a one-armed Frenchman reciting "The Charge of the Light Brigade." And as the guests prepare to go home it will be discovered, as it always is, that the lake is too rough for their boats and the trail too dark to be followed, and everybody will stay the night, sleeping all over the house, and eating cold turkey for breakfast.

BACK EAST

AND it will be Christmas Eve to-night in that old stone house on the bank of the St. Lawrence where we used to hang our stockings from the mantelshelf long ago. [illegible] hanging theirs from the same place Perhaps a Christmas tree stands again in the corner of the parlor which was sacred to grown-ups most of the year, but was opened to us at Christmas.

One remembers the bustle of preparation in the old Ontario kitchen, where a company of Canadian soldiers were fed during the War of 1812. Such trussing of turkeys and geese! Such stirrings of plum pudding, and mixings of mincemeat! And, oh, the pleasant aroma of honest liquor which was used to impart that last fine touch of flavor!

Such comings and goings of relatives from up and down the river, in jingling cutters; the uncles in top hats, the aunts in billowing skirts and odd hats on the top of their heads! Such mysterious trips across the river ice to the town on the American side where the price of toys was much lower than on our side!

Ah, do maiden aunts still walk across the river ice down below the town to avoid the customs men, with parcels concealed under their skirts in specially-made receptacles, until they can hardly walk? Do they still go over thin and come back fat, and hide their parcels up in the attic?

And do the youngsters come out on Christmas morning and try their first sleighs and skates on the icy sidewalks? And does Santa Claus in person, with a voice extraordinarily like old Jim Trotter, the grocer, still appear at the Sunday school Christmas tree and distribute presents to everybody?

I suppose not. I suppose Christmas has changed there, too, that civilization has overcome it. But never mind, the young have never known these better days. Christmas as it is will seem all right to them. After a while they will look back on these times as bright with a miraculous glow, and they will say to themselves that things were different and better in the old days. It is a wise provision of nature that, to the young, it is always a Merry Christmas.

SIDE GLANCES By George Clark

"You should have some idea of how many children your sisters have."

THE RHYMING OPTIMIST

By ALINE MICHAELIS

SHADOWS

Every shadow ever shows
Something of the sun.
As, how long ago it rose,
Or how far it has run.
Even faulty human sense
This glad truth divines:
Shadows are but evidence
Light behind them shines!

Night is just a shadow cast
As the swift Earth turns
From the glory, golden vast,
Where the white sun burns.
Only for a little time
Fall the veils of night,
The earth swings to the sublime,
Never-failing light!

Twenty-five Years Ago To-day

THE VICTORIA DAILY TIMES
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(From The Times Files)

Once again the Victoria City Band will play merry marches on Douglas Street, and commencing at 8 o'clock to-night, there will be a gala programme played on Douglas Street between Yates and Johnson.

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The fact that the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company will commence the work of erecting their docks at the foot of Courtney Street almost immediately, has had the effect of stimulating an interest in property values in that vicinity, and there have been a number of deals in consequence.

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Six large new handsome double-truck cars are to be placed on the Victoria system of the B.C. Electric Railway Company early next spring.

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"Chinese for the Chinese and down with foreigners," is the periodic cry in China, and it is one which is again coming to the fore, according to a man who arrived here from that country yesterday evening on the Empress of India:

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In common with the traditions of the race, care will be taken to see that everyone in the city is given special treats to-morrow. The Friendly Help Society has taken steps [illegible] to provide extras for this day of general jubilation, and are seeing that something is done to make the Christmas as happy as possible for them.

Other People's Views

WARNING!

The Times urges its correspondents to restrict their contributions to 500 words. It positively will not print lengthy communications.

These letters must be plainly written on one side of the paper only, and must be accompanied by the names and addresses of the writers, not necessarily for publication but as a guarantee of good faith.

Letters will not be re-written for publication. If they are not legible no attempt will be made to read them.

Letters not used will not be returned to the writers.

Letters containing offensive personal reflections will not be printed.

These rules, which henceforth will be carried out absolutely, are designed as much for the protection of our patient readers as for that of The Times.

THE MASSACHUSETTS REFERENDUM

To the Editor: — Last summer I wrote in one of the local papers that Russia might enter the League of Nations, and possibly the United States also, the latter obviously via the Pacific.

Prophecies now come from Washington that America will enter the League through Tokio. There are several matters pending with Japan, some of which could be better handled if the United States were a member of the League, all of momentous importance to both that country and Canada. There are those who believe that Japan intends to dominate the Pacific. If so, however powerful a fleet she may build up, it would probably prove useless against the world.

In this connection the recent election in Massachusetts is of interest, for at that time the following referendum was submitted to the voters: "Shall the representatives of the general court be instructed to vote to request the President and the United States Senate to enter into full co-operation and membership in the League of Nations with such reservations as they may deem wise?" The results show that 111 towns voted "Yes," and four voted "No," with 135,079 "Yes" and 81,857 "No."

Assuming that the total vote cast was around 1,000,000, it appears that only a small proportion registered an opinion, and of those who did not, it may be claimed that the majority would have voted "No." On the other hand, if the vote were taken to-day the number in the "Yes" column would doubtless be much greater, owing to the success of the recent assembly. To draw a valid conclusion from these figures the record of a few years back in the same state would seem to be required.

While we must bear in mind that Massachusetts is not the Mississippi Valley, yet the result would indicate the desirability of a poll of the whole country on this question in the near future. The straw votes of The Literary Digest have in the past proved surprisingly accurate barometers of public opinion, as confirmed by legal ballot following, and it is to be hoped that the management of that magazine will see the way soon to give us further light on the trend of public opinion regarding the League of Nations in the United States.

H. H. WILLCOX.
Uplands, Victoria, December 24.

"ANTI-SEMITISM"

To the Editor:—Not Mirabeau in the French Convention, nor Patrick Henry in the House of Burgesses, nor "Sam" Adams in the old colonial days ever said a more thrilling thing than Disraeli said in the British House of Commons in reply to the charge that he was a Jew. "Yes, I am a Jew! When the ancestors of the honorable gentleman were brutal savages in an unknown island, mine were priests in the temple!"

Do you want an aristocracy of talent? The world's roll of great soldiers, authors, musicians, painters poets, philosophers and financiers contain more Hebrew names than I could recite in many hours.

It is a spurious false Christianity that hates Jews. The mystery of the incarnation found expression in the flesh and blood of a Jew. We get our ten commandments—the very foundation of our civilization—through the Jews. We sing Jewish psalms, are uplifted by the passion and poetry of Jewish prophets, and rely on Jewish biographies for the only history we have of Christ. We get our Pauline theology from a Jew, and we catch our clearest glimpses of the next world through the sublime apocalyptic vision of a Jew. Then, forsooth, we Christians turn about and sneer at Jews! Yet it was a Jew who made England's Victoria Empress of India.

I have heard musicians denounce Jews and then spend days and nights trying to interpret the beauties of Rossini, Meyerbeer and Mendelssohn—all Jews

Can you suppress the Jews? A score of Russian czars could not do it. Every people on earth have tried it and failed. They have outlived the Tudors and Plantagenets, the Romanoffs, the tyranny of Spain, the dynasties of France, Charlemagne, Constantine, the Caesars, the Babylonian kings and the Egyptian Pharaohs. It was God's own race for 2,000 years and the awful persecution it has survived for 2,000 more stamps it as a race still bearing some mysterious relation to the plans of the eternal. The beauty and fidelity of the Jewish women command our homage, and among wealthy and educated Jews the exquisite refinement of Jewesses, their culture and high breeding blending with a sort of Oriental grace and dignity, put them among the most charming women of the world.

The belief that the Jew is more dishonest than the Gentile is one-half nonsense and the other half prejudice and falsehood. The anti-Jewish feeling which now seems to be rising again is unchristian, inhuman and un-British. No man can share it who believes in the universal fatherhood of God and the universal brotherhood of man.

Soon the eastern star will point to the little Jewish baby in the manger, and millions around the world will respond "O come, let us adore Him," for they said "His name shall be called Wonderful, the Prince of Peace, and of His government and peace there shall be no end."

DAN REVEYER.
Victoria, December 20, 1934.

EXERCISES AT SPROTT-SHAW

The twenty-second Christmas closing exercises of the Sprott-Shaw School took place on Friday afternoon in the well-filled assembly room of the school. With the exception of the presentation of the prizes for the December typewriting tournament, the entire programme was arranged and conducted by the students of the Sprott-Shaw School.

Kenneth Luttrell presided and after a few opening remarks he called upon Miss Margaret Campbell (Banff) to read the verses composed by the students outlining the programme to follow

A piano solo by William Hayward delighted the audience, at whose request he responded with an appropriate encore. The spelling contest, conducted by Miss Iola Worthington and Vernor Jones, was won, after a most exciting test, by Miss Gladys Bayley. An interesting feature of the afternoon's programme was a challenge by the semi-finalists of the senior and the junior tournaments to the champions of their respective tournaments. In the typewriting contest which followed, Miss Jean Munro defeated the senior champion, Miss Mary Morrison, while in the junior class Miss Ruth Kinch retained her title.

The dramatization of "The Highwayman," arranged and conducted by Miss Laurraine Steele, was the most humorous part of the programme. Miss Steele selected as her caste: Misses Jean Craig, Frances Donald, Susie Jones, Ruth Kinch, Jean Munro and Thelma Thompson.

The merits of Pitman shorthand were described in verse of his own production by Harold MacLean, while Miss Alison Smith read her verses, upholding the Gregg system of shorthand.

In his address to the students, James H. Beatty, managing-director of the Sprott-Shaw School, complimented the students on their interesting presentation of a number of the subjects which formed part of their course, on their ability to entertain, and on their capacity to assume leadership in each of the groups who had planned the programme. Mr. Beatty expressed his praise to the students on their outstanding ability and the progress made in the different departments of the school. Especially was he pleased with the work of the junior students in the typewriting department. In the junior class Mr. Beatty announced that a record had been established for the school by Miss Ruth Kinch, who, at the end of seventy-six hours of classroom practice, in a fifteen-minute contest, wrote 891 words, with twelve errors, making a net rate per minute of 51.4 words. Previous to 1934, under similar conditions, the school record by the junior typist was 48.2 words net a minute in a fifteen-minute test of five-stroke words. Miss Kinch, a graduate of the Esquimalt High School, is seventeen years of age, and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Kinch of 1596 Garden Street. She is taking the complete secretarial course for the diploma issued by the Business Educators' Association of Canada.

Mr. Beatty presented the following prizes: Miss Mary Morrison, winner senior tournament (open to students who began the study of typewriting before September, 1934); Miss Jean Munro, who made the highest record (60.2 words net) during the senior tournament. Miss Alison Smith, who wrote 850 words in fifteen minutes with one error, won the accuracy prize. Class B of the senior tournament was won by Miss Irene Brockington. Miss Dorothy Hinton had the highest percentage of accuracy, and Mrs. Martha Mannette made the highest record in the class B senior tournament.

The prizes for the junior tournament (open to students who began the study of typewriting after September 4, 1934) were won in class A by Miss Ruth Kinch with 50.2 words net; accuracy by Miss Jean Craig, who wrote 882 words with three errors. Class B junior honors were won by Miss Louise Rogers and the accuracy prize by Miss Mollie Mitchell.

In the beginners' contest (open to students who began the study of typewriting on or after October 1, 1934) Miss Addaleen Adair, Saskatchewan, won first place with a record of 35.2 words net, after fifty-eight hours' classroom practice. In this contest the accuracy prizes were won by Misses Addaleen Adair, Evelyn Cook and Madge Hersey, who each turned in perfect papers in fifteen-minute contests.

Carol singing by the class added much to the enjoyment of the afternoon.

Miss Frances Frost brought the programme to a very high [illegible] cleverly written and intelligently read poem. Presentations were made to Mr. Beatty, J. R. Jones and Miss Noonan. The decorations were supervised by Miss A. Andrews and Messrs. Alan MacPherson and Harold Sewell.

Much merriment was caused when Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus appeared, who after clever and witty speeches, presented gifts to each of the students from the beautifully decorated and well-laden Christmas tree.

Refreshments were served on daintily appointed tables, where Christmas decorations were profusely carried out. The classes then adjourned until the school opening in the new year, on January 2.

Percentage On Bridge Fixed

Compensation For Fraser River Bridge Company to Be 7 1-2 Per Cent

Details of the government's proposed agreement with the Fraser River Bridge Company on construction of the new bridge at New Westminster were referred to Friday by Hon. A. Wells Gray, Minister of Lands and Municipal Affairs.

Instead of building the bridge on its own account, the company would act as the agent for the government, he said. It would be compensated for its services in this respect and also for expenditures incurred in preliminary work. The amount of the compensation was placed at 7½ per cent on a total amount not to exceed $3,000,000. The cost of the bridge has been estimated at $3,000,000.

As already indicated, Mr. Gray said the tolls on the bridge would be as low as possible. Passenger automobiles might pay about 10 cents and there would probably be no charge for pedestrians or bicycles. Farmers' trucks taking produce to market might be allowed an exemption from tolls and special rates for frequent users of the bridge probably would be arranged.

Plans called for elimination of the exclusive right to the Fraser River Bridge Company which would prohibit any bridge or ferry crossing for several miles above and below the bridge.

The whole matter, he said, would be placed before the Legislature next session.

Hon. F. M. MacPherson, Minister of Public Works, declined to comment, stating he would reserve his remarks about the bridge contract for the Legislature.

HEADLINERS ON RADIO TO-NIGHT AND TO-MORROW

TO-NIGHT

6.00—Rosa Ponselle and Andre Kostelanetz's Variety Singers will sing one of the most beautiful Christmas hymns, "Adeste Fideles" ("O Come All Ye Faithful") during their weekly broadcast. The great soprano's other selections will include Verdi's "La Vergine Degli Angeli" and Schubert's "The Erl King."—KOL, KVI, KSL.

6.00—The famous Trio Lyrique and Allen McIver's orchestra will feature Christmas music during the broadcast of "One Hour With You."—CRCV.

6.30—"The Big Show" has a contract renewal in its Christmas stocking. It will continue with the same artists—Block and Sully, Gertrude Niesen and Lud Gluskin's orchestra.—KSL.

7.00—Christmas hymns and carols will be sung by the Contented quartette, with Ruth Lyon, soprano, and Karolyn Harris, contralto, as soloists. —KPO, KOMO.

8.30—Richard Crooks, Metropolitan Opera baritone, will sing "O Holy Night," "If With All Your Hearts" from "Elijah," and "O Little Town of Bethlehem," during his broadcast with William Daly's orchestra and a mixed chorus.—KPO, KOMO.

9.00—The Vienna Choir Boys, members of an organization more than 400 years old, will be the guests of The Show, broadcast from Hollywood.—KPO, KOMO.

9.00—Pedestrians on the streets of San Francisco will be interviewed during an old-fashioned Christmas party to be broadcast on the Blue Monday Jamboree.—KOL, KVI, KSL.

9.45—The Three Belles will sing Christmas songs during their broadcast from Calgary.—CRCV.

TO-MORROW

5.55 a.m.—His Majesty the King will speak from Sandringham at the conclusion of a one hour and fifteen minute broadcast from all parts of the British Empire, entitled "Empire Exchange." Opening with the bells of Bethlehem, the programme, one of the greatest ever broadcast, will visit various parts of Britain and the Dominions. —CFCT, CRCV, KOL, KVI, KSL, KPO, KOMO.

8.15 (tentative)—The Los Angeles Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Otto Klemperer, will broadcast a special Christmas morning programme. They will feature Brahms's Symphony No. 4 in E Minor.—KOL, KVI, KSL.

11.30—Lionel Barrymore will star in a presentation of Dickens's "A Christmas Carol" as the feature of a great Christmas Party broadcast which will originate in five studios in different parts of the United States and will last the best part of three hours. The world-famous Don Cossack male choir will be heard during the programme.—KOL, KVI, KSL.

11.45—"Hansel and Gretel," Humperdinck's fairy tale opera, will be heard from the stage of the Metropolitan Opera House in New York, with Editha Fleischer and Queena Mario in the leading roles.—KPO, KOMO, CRCV.

5.30 p.m.—Lawrence Tibbett, celebrated Metropolitan Opera baritone, will sing two famous devotional arias and several Christmas hymns during an NBC broadcast.—KPO, KOMO.

6.00—Bing Crosby will sing the hymn "Silent Night, Holy Night" during his broadcast with the Boswell Sisters.—KOL, KVI, KSL.

6.30—With Virginia Rea, soprano, as guest star, Isham Jones and his orchestra will present a varied programme of Christmas carols during a CBS broadcast. Many of the carols are little known melodies from other nations.—KOL, KVI, KSL.

7.00—Victor Herbert's "Babes in Toyland," Christmas carols by a mixed chorus of seventy voices, and a holiday story for children told by Gladys Swarthout will be among the features of the Beauty Box Theatre broadcast.—KPO, KOMO.

8.15—Hal Burdick, the Night Editor, will have a pleasant Christmas present in the form of a considerable extension of the network carrying his programme. He will tell a special Christmas story, entitled "The Other Manger."—KPO, KOMO.

New French-Italian Agreement Sought

WORK ALL NIGHT LOADING HAMPERS

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OLYMPIC SPORT

The heaving about of hampers will, it is understood, be listed for the next Olympic games. Hampers averaged sixty pounds. The biggest ones came nearer the 100 mark.

There were naturally a few hitches in the distribution. In one case children playing on the streets gave a wrong address, and a woman with tears in her eyes, came to the door to receive a hamper which had been destined for someone with a similar name, but which she obviously needed and had not liked to ask for

FEW COMPLAINTS

But taken in all the trouble calls have been remarkably few. Some of them came from people who were to receive hampers from other organizations, saw the Gyro truck passing, and thought they were being left out.

There has not been a single complaint about the contents of the Gyro hampers, which for many families will mean the happiest Christmas in years.

A feature of the hamper distribution which has gone to show that real generosity is not yet dead is the fact that in eight cases families have refused hampers because the breadwinner had found a new job, and they thought there were others in greater need than themselves

That the Gyros have got the hearts of the community behind them, and will have in future years, is being proved by the letters of appreciation which are beginning to arrive at Gyro headquarters.

The main work of the Hamper Fund is finished now, but there is still a lot of clearing up to be done, and the workers will be busy for several days yet.

POPE PLEADS AGAINST WAR

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This people will be: 'Destroy, oh Lord, those who wish war.'

"But we prefer our first prayer."

His Holiness concluded by repeating with passionate emphasis the word:

"Peace, peace, peace."

VOICE OF WAR

The voice of war, said the Pontiff, was added to "all the discomfort, pain and real evil of the present crisis which is felt in all directions in private and public life."

He urged the world to invoke the comforts of the Virgin Mary in these troubles, particularly in the moment when the famous shrine at Loreto has been taken over by the Vatican under its treaty of conciliation with Italy.

The Pope said he rejoiced over the success of the Holy Year just past in a moment when the world was disturbed by so many conflicting currents, as to suggest that the justice of God might be about to descend on mankind. He said the Eucharistic Congresses at Buenos Aires and Melbourne were matters of consolation, and expressed the desire that Eucharistic Congresses might develop evermore.

To-night the Pope will avail himself of an age-old privilege accorded to every parish priest only on Christmas Eve. With only a few intimates in attendance he will go to his private chapel at midnight and recite three separate masses in commemoration of the birth of the Saviour.

All Revolvers To Be Registered In 1935

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Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island by the officer commanding the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and such officers as are appointed by him throughout each of these provinces, and in the cities and large towns by the chief constable, it is announced.

In British Columbia registration will be performed by the commissioner of the provincial police and officers of that force appointed by him, and also by chief constables of cities and large towns.

In the Northwest Territories and the Yukon the officer commanding the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and such other officers of the force as are stationed in the Territories and members of the force in charge of detachments, will handle registration.

Foreign Minister Laval to Confer With Mussolini at Rome; Italy Wants More Territory in North Africa

Paris, Dec. 24. — Foreign Minister Pierre Laval, soon to go to Rome to talk things over with Premier Mussolini, has first laid his plans for Italo-French co-operation in the Danube region before Sir John Simon, British Foreign Secretary.

Saturday the French member fully explained the project, and told Sir John he intended to go to Rome, probably after the Saar plebiscite, January 13.

"On our agreement in views," M. Laval said, "depends the maintenance in Central and Eastern Europe of the political order closely linked to the interest of European peace."

Observers, too, were agreed France and Italy both carry great weight in the two camps into which the Balkans are divided, and believed that region might lose its nickname, "the powder keg of Europe," if M. Laval and Premier Mussolini get together in friendship.

CHIEF QUESTIONS

Four problems need ironing out:

(1) The new naval rivalry of Italy.

(2) Affairs of the Balkans.

(3) Two disputes in Africa—a territorial one in French Equatorial Africa and the status of Italians in Tunis.

(4) Economic relations between France and Italy.

Both France and Italy are eager to strengthen the economic position of the Balkans as an effective check to German economic expansion there. Relief for Austria is particularly desired. A Danubian customs union also will probably be sought.

In Africa, Italy seeks a slice of territory from French Equatorial and French West Africa to add to Italian Lybia. In return France wants Italy to discontinue her challenge of the French hold in Tunisia.

ITALY'S REQUESTS

Rome, Dec. 24.—"Come across with some colonial concessions," Fascist Italy says succinctly and emphatically to France as French Foreign Minister Pierre Laval prepares for his forthcoming visit to Benito Mussolini.

Italy divides her colonial claims into two divisions: First, return to territory unlawfully taken away from her by Anglo-French agreement; second, concessions in fulfillment of the promise France made in the 1915 Treaty of London.

The first heading concerns the southern border of Libya, the colony of which General Italo Balbo is governor.

Italy wants from France at least restitution of the considerable triangle of South Libya, cut off by the 1919 Anglo-French agreement.

This item, Italy argues, has nothing to do with the compensations she should have received from the London Treaty of 1915.

Article 13 of the Treaty of London established that, in case France and Great Britain received additions to their colonial empires at the expense of Germany, Italy should get equable territorial compensations in Africa.

COMMISSION MET

The German colonies did fall to the lot of France and Greaat Britain. Then there met in Paris a special colonial commission to determine the colonial compensations to be made to Italy. Negotiations continued for some years.

Britain paid up. She ceded Italy the territory of Jubaland, which became united to Italian Somaliland.

The negotiations with France, on the other hand, have not been concluded.

FAMILY LOSES NORTHERN HOME

But Plane Makes It Possible For Mother and Baby to Get to Winnipeg

Edmonton, Dec. 24.—Her northern cabin destroyed by fire a few days before Christmas, Mrs. J. Falchney, wife of a fur trader at Chipewyan Lake, near Wabiskaw, some 200 miles north of Edmonton, left here by train at the week-end with her ten-month-old baby to spend Christmas with her parents in Winnipeg.

Early one evening last week a coal oil lamp was accidentally knocked from the table in the little log cabin and in a few minutes the room was a flaming inferno.

Seizing the baby from the crib, Mr. and Mrs. Falchney escaped, but were unable to save any of the household effects or clothing.

For two days they lived in their trading post store until C. H. "Punch" Dickins, superintendent of the Canadian Airways Limited, on a flight to trading posts, flew Mrs. Falchney and her baby out to Edmonton Saturday.

CEYLON SWEPT BY EPIDEMIC

Associated Press

Colombo, Ceylon, Dec. 24.—A malaria epidemic estimated to have caused 2,000 deaths in Ceylon in the last two weeks continued to-day to rage and spread rapidly.

So many thousands were affected throughout the island as well as in this city of 284,000 population that it was feared the country will face a famine next year.

Leaders Have Real Message Of Hope At Christmas Season

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PREMIER T. D. PATTULLO

"The Christmas season is one when we especially take thought of each other, and it is well that by word and deed we should endeavor to brighten the lot of those less fortunate than ourselves.

"While during the past year definite progress has been made towards the amelioration and remedying of untoward conditions in the lives of many of our people, the task ahead will require the sagest advice and most unremitting effort to meet the challenge of modern complexities. If we all maintain the spirit of goodwill towards each other the task will be easier of accomplishment.

"May I extend Christmas greetings and good wishes to all."

MAYOR DAVID LEEMING

"On this joyous occasion, when the Christian nations join in one accord to celebrate the birth of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who taught suffering humanity that the greatest commandments of all were love for God and man, let us rejoice that a broader sense of man's responsibility to his fellow man is receiving a wider expression than formerly.

"The efforts made in this City of Victoria and its environs to alleviate the distress of those less fortunate shows that our citizens are imbued with the desire to give active expression to the spirit of these commandments.

"To all whose efforts have contributed in the work of easing the burdens of others, either by work or through donations, or both, I wish on behalf of our citizens generally to extend to them the heartiest thanks possible.

"St. Paul, in his essay on 'charity,' which is the active expression of love, said: 'Charity never faileth,' and I am convinced that we shall experience the benefits of unselfish giving which are expressed in the passage, 'Give and it shall be given unto you, full measure, pressed down and running over.'

"On behalf of the city council I wish to all the old greeting, 'A Merry Christmas'."

REV. ROBERT CONNELL
House Leader of C.C.F.

"It is no doubt a long way we have to go yet, but there can hardly be a better Christmas wish for us one and all than that the day may speedily come when the spirit of Christmas shall be as widely diffused as the air we breathe; when brotherhood and co-operation shall be daily principles of action; and when the exploitation of our fellow-man with its attendant poverty and degradation shall be replaced by the just and equitable service of the common weal.

BYRON JOHNSON, M.P.P.

"I appreciate the opportunity of expressing, through your columns, the heartiest good wishes for the Christmas season to my friends and constituents in Victoria. Unfortunately I am unable to be in the city for the holiday, but that does not depreciate the warmth of the felicitations.

"Among public men I think there is a feeling this Christmas that we are on the path out of our difficulties. The last few years have been a period of great stress but I sincerely feel the year 1935 will mark a big step forward not only for Victoria and the province but for Canada as a whole."

HERBERT ANSCOMB, M.P.P.

"I wish to take this opportunity of extending to Victorians best wishes for the Christmas season. It would also be opportune at this time to note the fine work of those engaged in assisting the less fortunate during this season of the year. The undertaking of the Gyro Club has been most commendable while the splendid work of Mrs. R. B. Mosher is also very praiseworthy. To these organizations I extend my personal appreciation for their efforts with the hope that the necessity for their operations will grow less in the future.

D. B. PLUNKETT, M.P.

"In wishing everyone a very merry Christmas I do so in the feeling that with prospects of improvement in trade throughout the country there is real reason why this Christmas should be a happy one. And I express the sincere hope that in the coming year contentment and prosperity will come to many of our citizens who have undergone the strain of these hard and trying years."

HON. JOHN HART
Minister of Finance, M.P.P. for Victoria

"I desire to extend to citizens of Victoria and the people of British Columbia as a whole my most sincere wishes for a happy Christmas season and for a bright New Year.

"I am satisfied that business is on the mend and that though there may be some distress for a while longer we can look with confidence for greatly improved conditions during the year. Production from all basic sources in the province has shown an increase and with a continuance of this and the general improvement in business we can hope for much alleviation in the unemployment situation."

MAYOR-ELECT G. G. McGEER, K.C. OF VANCOUVER

"Grave as our financial and unemployment troubles are there is an ever growing inclination of men in all walks of life and in all departments of government to co-operate in a spirit of goodwill. In extending a message of Christmas greetings and sincere hope for better conditions in the coming year I feel that we are about to deal with our economic and social problems upon a broader basis than anything that has yet been attempted. Our problems are not insurmountable. No factor can be of greater assistance than the continuation of the spirit of Christmas into the work that lies ahead of us. With courage and goodwill we cannot fail; without it we cannot succeed."

Two Hopeful Signs In Naval Outlook

Tokio Instructs Delegates to Act on British Suggestions; U.S. Considering New Policy Regarding Neutrals in Wartime

Canadian Press

London, Dec. 24.—Two signs that there might be cause for optimism yet in the complex naval limitation question were seen to-day by observers.

From Tokio came instructions to the Japanese delegates who attended the tri-partite naval conversations, authorizing them to act on the suggestion make by the British representatives that they seek through further informal talks a basis of agreement. The Washington Pact, setting a five-five-three ratio for Britain, the United States and Japan, is doomed by Tokio's decision to denounce it.

A naval conference, at which France and Italy will be represented in addition to the three largest sea-powers, has been scheduled for next year, although no date has yet been set.

SECOND HOPEFUL FEATURE

A second cause for hopefulness consisted of reports from Washington that President Roosevelt was considering a new United States policy relative to the rights of neutrals on the high seas during war times—one delicate question which has on one occasion during the last 150 years caused friction between Britain and the United States.

In this connection The London Sunday Times said the reports constituted an opportunity for a practical accord between Britain and the United States. This, it suggested, might contain two clauses, one of which set forth no submarine blockade could be effected, and the second that, "in the absence of an effective blockade, the highways of the sea shall be free to trade between the United States and Britain."

Arrest Follows Attempt to Swim Way To Freedom

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Friday. It was one of several break-ins reported within three hours, including the entry of the Piggly-Wiggly store at Richmond Avenue and Fort Streets, in which a safe and its contents were taken.

The safe was found yesterday by Frank Clear, a duck hunter of Sidney, who located it on the beach at Land's End Point, six miles from Sidney, where it had been thrown from the top of a twenty foot embankment.

Police to-day did not link up the two cases, and were continuing their investigation of the safe stealing. When found it had been "cracked," and the contents, including about $100, removed.

JUSTICE MOVES FAST

McSwayne's arrest followed swift investigation by city detectives, who located the cache early yesterday, and commenced an all-day vigil to await the approach of those who hid it.

The cache was located by Detectives Pearon, Woodburn and Henry Jarvis, whose work was commended by officials of the department. From deductions they made on a similar case, some years ago, they found the cache about fifty yards from the wall of the dockyard, a short distance from the water's edge. It was concealed in heavy underbrush.

Constables Thomas Stevenson and Dave Donaldson were detailed to watch the scene yesterday evening, the former being placed near the cache and the latter near the dockyard wall.

About 9.30 o'clock three men approached the cache. Constable Stevenson waited until they had picked up the cartons and then ordered them to "drop them and stick your hands up." The cartons were dropped and the three men took to the bushes after they had been recognized under the light from the policemen's flashlight.

SHOTS EXCHANGED

They sped in different directions. Constable Stevenson fired into the ground, towards McSwayne, ordering him to stop. McSwayne kept on going and as he vaulted over the dockyard wall Constable Donaldson put two more shots over his head.

The shots aroused men in the dockyard, who rushed down to the water, where they found Constable Donaldson had discovered an overcoat in the water.

In a few minutes McSwayne came within view of their flashlights. "It's too — cold. I guess I lose," he was reported to have stated as he came out of the water. He was about fifty yards out, headed for Yarrows, when he is alleged to have given up.

The three cartons of cigarettes were recovered.

McSwayne was charged in the Esquimalt police court this morning with possession of the goods and the case was remanded until next Monday. No plea was taken. The Esquimalt police also took part in the investigation, co-operating with the city men in the locating and watching of the cache.

NEW FRENCH SENATOR

Paris, Dec. 24 (Canadian Press). — Deputy Charles Delesall of the radical left was elected to the Senate yesterday to replace Dr. Edmond there. Delesalle was a member for Arras.

Border Incident Menace Is Eased

Moscow Denies Russian Troops Entered Manchukuo; Japanese Friendly

Associated Press

Moscow, Dec. 24.—Tass, the news agency of the U.S.S.R., yesterday evening, issued a statement branding as "purest nonsense" a report from Harbin that a detachment of red troops had entered Manchurian territory.

Tokio, Dec. 24 (Associated Press)—Japanese officials said to-day there was no likelihood of serious trouble over a reported Soviet invasion of the remote Tungning district of Manchukuo.

Both the War Office and the Foreign Office here lacked official details of the incident. Soviet troops from Siberia were said to have encamped in Manchukuoan territory, but the official attitude here was not to take the matter seriously.

The government here was represented as feeling that relations between Russia and Japan were the most amicable in many months, with negotiations for the transfer of the Chinese Eastern Railway nearing completion.

Prairies to Ship Much Hay To United States

SAAR TRAIN WRECK DENIED

Officials Spike Rumors Attempt Made on Cars Carrying Italian Troops

Associated Press

Saarbruecken, Saar Basin Territory, Dec. 24.—Rumors that an attempt had been made to wreck a train bringing Italian troops here to form part of the international army to supervise the January 13 plebiscite were denied to-day by Italian officers and officers of the League of Nations Governing Commission.

Another rumor said the Italians were dissatisfied with their lodgings and had threatened to leave the Saar unless better ones were provided, but members of the general staff called this "nonsense."

ARRIVALS CHEERED

Cheers and tears greeted the first group of expatriates from North and South America, traveling on free tickets, who arrived here to vote in the plebiscite. Some 25,000 persons stood for three hours here yesterday awaiting the train bearing 450 Nazi sympathizers.

Approximately 55,000 former residents of the Saar, it is estimated, will vote in the plebiscite, by which the territory will decide whether to return to Germany, unite with France or remain under the League of Nations.

HE WAS INTOXICATED

Associated Press

London, Dec. 24.—A special dispatch to The London Daily Herald from Saarbruecken to-day said reports of an attempted outrage against an Italian military train in the Saar territory had been traced to the arrest of an apparently innocent drunkard along the railroad line yesterday evening.

The dispatch quoted French authorities as saying a man who was drunk could not explain what he was doing on the tracks and would be expelled. The manner in which the case was being disposed of by the authorities "would indicate the outrage report is wrong," said the dispatch.

Washington Government Eliminates Duty; Organization Set Up to Get Supplies For Drought Areas

Associated Press

Washington, Dec. 24.—Hay may now be imported duty free from Canada for use in the drought areas of the United States.

Under an agreement signed to-day by Secretary of Agriculture Wallace, an "agency for deficiency distribution" was set up to import hay from Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba into drought areas of five north central states.

Companies participating in the arrangement are the Farmers' National Grain Corporation of Chicago, the Nargill Elevator Company of Minneapolis and F.-H. Peavey and Company of Minneapolis.

Hay has been brought into this country from Canada by other importers, but in a very meagre amounts, since it was subject to duty.

F. Peavey Heffelfinger of the Monarch Elevator Company of Minneapolis was named manager of the organization. Offices were established at Minneapolis, Winnipeg and Saskatoon.

All operations of the agency will be financed by the participating companies without government aid

RATES SET

Hay will be purchased by the companies at rates fixed under the agreement, and will be distributed to local commercial dealers in the Dakotas, Montana, Wyoming and Minnesota on a service charge basis.

Base prices per ton for the classes of hay specified in the agreement will be "wheat straw, $1.75; oat straw, $2.25; upland prairie hay, $7.50; prairie hay, $6; alfalfa, $10.50; timothy, $8.50, and grain hay, $7.50."

All prices are based on Canadian currency. To these prices will be added freight costs on both sides of the border. These include $2 a ton for bailing, fifty cents a ton commission to Canadian dealers; fifty cents a ton to the distribution agency to cover operating costs, and a service charge of not more than $1.50 a ton to local handlers in United States.

Freight rates on the Canadian side will not exceed $5.20, and will drop to $3.40 a ton from points nearest to the Canadian border, it was said.

Mr. Wallace estimated the project would make approximately 300,000 tons of Canadian roughage available

PREMIERS SEND OUT MESSAGES

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ALBERTA'S OUTLOOK

Premier R. G. Reid of Alberta—"I am happy to express the feeling of increased confidence with which the province of Alberta enters on the new year. Notwithstanding the damaging influence of crop failures in some parts of the province, there have been numerous signs of improvement throughout the year which is now closing."

WILL OVERCOME OBSTACLES

Acting Premier Harry C. Nixon of Ontario—"I am confident we can and will overcome any remaining obstacles between ourselves and the full enjoyment of general prosperity. By comparison with other countries we have so much for which to be profoundly grateful, and it is with optimism and good cheer that I extend my best wishes for a truly merry Christmas and a particularly happy and prosperous new year."

UNITED EFFORT

"I am delighted to state," wrote Premier L. P. D. Tilley of New Brunswick, "that our province is slowly but surely pulling through the depression period, and conditions look much more hopeful for 1935. Let us unite in a effort to bring his country back to normal conditions."

RICHLY ENDOWED

Premier W. J. P. MacMillan of Prince Edward Island—"In view of the increasing evidence that we are emerging from these difficult days, abundantly endowed to lead the nations forward to prosperity, we have reason to face the future with greater optimism and unity of purpose."

No Tampering With Jury Panel

Chicago Woman Lawyer Denies Accusation in B. R. Hauptmann Case

Associated Press

Flemington, N.J., Dec. 24.—The prosecution in the case of Bruno Richard Hauptmann, Lindbergh kidnap-slaying suspect, charged "a deliberate and malicious effort has been made to tamper with the jury panel in Hauptmann's behalf."

In its statement the prosecution declared the alleged effort to tamper with the panel was made by "some unknown source, known as 'The Confidential News Syndicate, Chicago.' Evidently from that office," the statement continued, "a booklet has been circulated through the U.S. mail to every juror on the panel of 150."

Copyrighted by "Mary Belle Spencer" in 1933, the booklet appears to be an imaginative court record of the trial of one John Doe on a charge of kidnapping an infant. He is eventually acquitted by the jury.

WRITTEN AS SATIRE

Chicago, Dec. 24.—Mary Belle Spencer, Chicago lawyer who wrote the pamphlet referred to by Prosecutor Anthony M. Hauck, New Jersey, as an attempt "to tamper" with the Lindbergh jury panel, to-day scoffed at the charge.

"The whole thing was a satire, written and dictated by me for my own amusement merely to poke fun at the asininity of our police and court system as a whole," Mrs. Spencer said. She stated the pamphlet was not circulated by her.

As for the "Confidential News Syndicate," Mrs. Spencer added, "that also was a part of the fiction of the whole thing." The address of the "syndicate," 155 N. Clark, is the address of the attorney's office.

MRS. G. SANDEMAN DIES

Oxford, Eng., Dec. 24.—Mrs. George Sandeman, second daughter of Hon. George Brown, founder of The Toronto Globe, has died.

U.S. DOLLAR IN LONDON

London, Dec. 24 (Associated Press). —The United States dollar lost 3-16 cent to the pound sterling here to-day, closing at $4.94 5-16 to the pound as compared with Saturday's close of $4.94½. The opening to-day was at $4.94½. The French franc closed at 74.87 to the pound as compared with Saturday's close at 74.90.

The price of gold declined ½d to 140s 8d ($34.78) a fine ounce and an amount valued at £198,000 ($979,110) was purchased.

TORONTO PHYSICIAN DIES

Toronto, Dec. 24.—Dr. Geoffrey Boyd, sixty-seven, ear, nose and throat specialist, died here yesterday.

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Social And Club Interests

OLD GIRLS AS HOSTESSES

St. Margaret's Alumnae Held Jolly Christmas Dance at School

St. Margaret's Old Girls' Association were hostesses at a jolly dance n the school gymnasium on Friday evening, the conveners being Mrs. Norman Yarrow, Miss F. W. Price and Miss Ruth Jones.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Duncan, Major and Mrs. K. B. Spurgin, Commander and Mrs. Stephens, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Yarrow, Mr. and Mrs. M. Bridgeman, Mr. and Mrs. A. de Mellin, Capt. and Mrs. R. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Errol Gillespie, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Edgell, Mrs. R. Bell-Irving, Mr. and Mrs. Farrow, Mr. and Mrs. R. Duke, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Pinhorn, Major and Mrs. Sisman, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Grant.

The Misses Gladys Bayley, Brenda Stonham, Margaret Whyte, Barbara Grant, Nancy Patterson, Helen Colpman, Pat Hembrow, A. Stewart-Williams, Margot Robertson, A. Innes, H. Innes, Betty Bapty, May Wootton, Mollie Barber-Starkey, Mr. Fred Pease, Mr. Stanley Whitehead, Miss Hazel Wright, Mr. David Barker, Miss Daphne Pooley, Mrs. [illegible] Findall, Mr. Jim Allan, Mr. John Solly, Miss Willena Graham, Miss Hester Hamilton, Miss Betty Patterson, Mr. Fred Hobson, Mr. Dennis Brown, Miss Elizabeth Garrett, Mr. Russel Twining, Miss Carita Leeder, Mr. Robin Piers, Mr. Scott Alexander, Miss Mary Phillip, Mr. D. Eaton, Miss D. Stanier, Mr. R. Stanier, Mr. Peter Jones, Mr. A. King, Miss M. Swan, Miss Muriel Chadwick, Mr. Walter Beak, Miss Dolores Machin, Mr. E. Stonham, Miss Susie Jones, Mr. Frank Jones, Miss Clare Green, Miss Aileen Frank, Mr. Ned Williams, Miss M. Crane, Mr. A. Crane, Mr. Kyrle Symons, Miss Ruth Johnosn, Mr. R. Howell, Mr. S. Lloyd, Miss Joan Pinhorn, Mr. Vincent Pinhorn, Miss Lorna Coton, Mr. Ted Coton, Mr. David Bird, Miss Kythie Mackenzie, Miss B. Baker, Mr. J. Cox, Mr. J. McTavish, Mr. Humphrey Toms, Mr. Kingley Rowe, Mr. Wallie Bowden, Mr. Bill McPhee and Miss F. E Coulter.

Y.W.C.A. NOTES

Club Meetings—There will be no club meetings until Thursday, January 3.

New Year's Eve—A New Year's Eve party is being planned in co-operation with the Y.M.C.A. Tickets are available for any young people who wish to come.

Christmas Day—On Christmas Day the residents of the association will have a Christmas tree at breakfast time and at 1 p.m. the usual Christmas dinner will be served to the public at fifty cents per plate.

Saturday Morning Story and Play Hour—The story and play hour will be discontinued until Saturday morning, January 5, at 10.30, when Miss King will be in charge of the story hour and Miss Cameron of games.

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News of Clubwomen

St. Luke's A.Y.P.A. — An enjoyable evening of military five hundred was held in St. Luke's Hall recently. This game brought the season's games to a close. Twenty-one tables were in progress, and the winners of the first prize of turkeys were Mrs. Merriman, Mrs. Logie, Mrs. Humber and Mr. Hurley. Second prize was won by Mrs. Hunter, Mrs. Relf, Mrs. Lloyd and Mr. Robinson. The consolation prize went to Miss M. Scholefield, Miss M. Birch, Mr. Watkiss and Mr. Scutt. M. Ensley and Mr. J. Holmes won the ten-bid. Three tombola prizes were given, which were won by Miss L. Adams, Mr. J. Woods and Mr. Williams.

Britannia Lodge.—Britannia Lodge L.O.B.A. 216 held their meeting recently in the Orange Hall, Courtney Street. Worthy Mistress Sister Miller presided, assisted by Sister Burke. During the business Worthy Past Mistress Sister Caldwell installed the following officers: Worthy mistress, Mrs. Miller; deputy mistress, Mrs. Burke; chaplain, Mrs. Latham; recording secretary, Mrs. T. Fea; financial secretary, Mrs. C. Smith; treasurer, Mrs. Cuthbert; first lecturer, Mrs. Belcher; second lecturer, Mrs. Leask; first committee, Mrs. Paterson; second committee, Mrs. Elwood; third committee, Mrs. Hay; fourth committee, Mrs. McVie; guardian, Mrs. Hunter; inner guard, Miss J. Murray; outer guard, Miss A. Nickolass; captain, Mrs. Bradley; pianist, Mrs. Mummery; Mrs. Ashworth acting as grand chaplain and Mrs. Guptill as grand guide. Next meeting will be held January 15. The winning number of cushion was 499; chocolates, 448.

Held Birthday Banquet — Lodge Primrose No. 32 Daughters of England held its twenty-first birthday banquet on Friday at the Hotel Douglas cafe. Worthy Mrs. James, who is visiting in England, sent congratulations on the coming-of-age of the lodge. After the toast had been responded to, a pleasing ceremony took place. The worthy district deputy, Mrs. Baron, presented Worthy Mrs. Wyman with a gift from the lodge as being the only past president in attendance at the time the lodge was organized. Worthy Mrs. Harrison gave a good report over the past years and called the roll. Dr. J W. Lennox gave an interesting talk, also Worthy Mrs. Cavette of Lodge Princess Alexandra, who also was a guest. In the evening a concert and dance was held at the Sons of England Hall for members and friends. The choir entertained the guests with a sketch and solos, and refreshments were served by the past presidents. Miss Evelyn Dawson's orchestra was in attendance and a good time was enjoyed by all. Contests were won by Mrs. Walker (turkey), Mrs. Corliss (a doll), and Mrs. Johnstone (tea-cosy).

Toronto, Dec. 24 (Canadian Press). — Mrs. George Sandeman, second daughter of Hon. George Brown, founder of The Globe, Toronto, died at Oxford, England, a cable received here to-day announced. George M. Brown, a brother, who resides in London, England, is the only surviving member of the family.

Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Webster, Moss Street, have gone over to Seattle to spend the Yuletide season with Mrs. Webster's mother, Mrs. G. Humber.

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Mr. Robert A. Gale, principal of the Tofino School, arrived home on Saturday to spend the Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Gale, Harrison Street.

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Mr. and Mrs. Harry S. Hay of Saskatoon will leave the prairie city on December 29 for Victoria to make their home here. Mr. Hay is a member of the Rotary Club of that city.

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Mr. Burke McPhillips of Vancouver will come over to Victoria to spend New Year's with his father, Mr. Justice A. E. McPhillips, Rockland Avenue.

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Mr. Harold Crawford of Vancouver will come over from the mainland to-morrow to spend Christmas Day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Crawford, Craigdarroch.

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Miss Charlotte Clayton of Vancouver has come over from the mainland to spend Christmas with her mother, Mrs. A. E. Clayton, Menzies Street.

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Miss Ann Michaelis, who has been visiting in Regina for the last few months, has returned to spend a month with her mother, Mrs. G. A. Michaelis, McClure Street.

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Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Harris of Vancouver will come over to Victoria on Wednesday to spend a few days here with the Misses Muriel and Eileen Aylard, Elliott Street.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. D. McWha of Vancouver, with their daughter, Miss Emma McWha, are spending Christmas in Victoria, guests of Mr. McWha's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. McWha.

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Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Naismith, Rockland Avenue, have as their guests for the Yuletide season Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Naismith of Seattle, and their two children, Shirley and Zeta, and Col. A. M. Naismith of Vancouver.

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Capt. and Mrs. H. S. Thain, Fairfield Road, left yesterday afternoon for Vancouver, where they will make their future home. Their daughter, Miss Eileen Thain, will remain over the holiday season here as the guest of friends and will join her parents in the mainland city after the New Year.

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Among the guests registered at the Dominion Hotel are: Mrs. D. S. Harris and sons, Ganges; Mrs. L. M. Grubb, Port Angeles; Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Dalne, Ladysmith; Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Wagner and son, Lake Cowichan; Union Oil basketball team, Seattle; Miss Gratia Federspiel, Seattle; Miss Betty Gilbert, Seattle; Mr. A. Shunter, Lumby, B.C.; Mr. J. Bodevite, Cowichan Lake; Mr. Jim Gurney, Port Alberni; Mr. Tom Gurney, Port Alberni; Mr. K. W. Toms, Port Alberni; Mr. G. M. Tuttle, Seattle; Capt. J. Park, Vancouver.

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Miss Patricia Swan was hostess to a number of friends on Saturday afternoon at a tea at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Swan, Moss Street. The guests included: Misses Elizabeth Martin, Lillian and Virginia Ryan, Gwen Wright, Gloria Wilson, Phyllis Pooley, Jean Mayhew, Thelma Ackerman, June Flesher, Rosanna Gillespie, Helen Baird, Esme Ketchen, Joan Pickles, Gladwyn Beasley, Wendy Baillie, Betty Potter, Valentine Harlock, Adine Oland, Desiree Davis, Jo. Nixon, Muriel Dunsmuir, Daphne Preston, Doreen Phethean and Jane Holland.

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Miss Gwen Wright entertained a number of young friends at a Christmas dance on Saturday evening at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kent, Oak Bay Avenue. The young guests included: Misses Phyllis Pooley, Audrey Eberts, Betty Burns, Muriel Dunsmuir, Desiree Davis, Patricia Swan, Viriginia and Lillian Ryan, Betty McMurray, Rosanna Gillespie, Jean Mayhew, Elizabeth Martin, Ruth Horton, Joan Cudemore, Patricia Beasley, Helen Baird, Joy Nixon, Jane Barker and Masters Allan Drummond, Harold and Edmond Horne, Rodney Hood, George and Francis Gregory, "Sandy" Hunter, Douglas McIntyre, Lloyd Morgan, Allan McPherson, Charles and Roland Hills, William Cameron, Dick Brown, Dennis Harris, Trevor Davis, Herbert and William Brown, Jack Grogan, James Eberts, Jeff Phillips, Bob Gonnason and Louis Ryan.

Miss Hazel Smith entertained a number of her young friends at a dance at her home on Saturday evening when the guests present included the Misses June McAllister, Jane Firth, Annie Anderson, Joyce Murphy, Alice King, Mary Whote, Dot Willingham and Hazel McKenzie and Messrs. Jim McGary, Earl Foster, Jack Stuart, Vernon Barney, Svotty Sneddon, Roy Okell, Kenneth and George Smith, Leighton Manning, Roy Bishop and Moran Waller.

Miss Helen Woodcroft entertained at tea yesterday afternoon at her home on Windsor Road. Those invited were Joan Austen Leigh, Betty Burns, Joan Pickles, Doreen Phethean, Ann Pender, Sonia Cowan, Patsy Watson, Gwen Wright, Docia Jones and Ruth Horton.

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Mrs. Jack Hargrave and her children have come over to Victoria with her mother, Mrs. Arthur Robertson, "Orcades," Pemberton Road.

Miss Anne Bapty, who has been spending the week-end in Victoria with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Walter Bapty, Pemberton Road, will return to Vancouver this evening to resume her training for nurse in the Vancouver General Hospital.

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Mrs. R. G. Mathews of Everett, Washington State, and her daughter, Miss Norah Mathews, arrived in Victoria this afternoon to spend Christmas here with Mrs. Mathew's brother-in-law and sister, Major and Mrs. F. W. B. George, Dallas Road.

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A surprise party was held on Friday evening at the home of Mrs. L. P. Frederickson, 1041 Queen's Avenue, in honor of her daughter, Ida, on the occasion of her twenty-first birthday, by Mr. and Mrs. W. Bartlett, late of Los Angeles. Those present included Mr. and Mrs. W. Bartlett, Mrs. Morris, Mrs. Gilmer, Mr. and Mrs. Jack McCandless, Miss Mary Hogg, Miss Hazel Dgan, Mr. Lew Hudson and Mr. C. Fletcher. Games were enjoyed during the evening, while Mrs. Morris and Mr. Jack McCandless offered numerous musical selections. An enjoyable evening was concluded with a buffet supper and best wishes and hearty greetings expressed by those present.

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Festive decorations gave a Chrismassy atmosphere to the weekly supper dance at the Empress Hotel Saturday night when about 200 guests danced to spirited music by Billy Tickle's orchestra. The dancers included Lieut.-Commander and Mrs. P. N. Lay, Major and Mrs. J. E. Hunter, Capt. and Mrs. Leverin, Miss Jean Campbell, Miss Mary Campbell, Miss Norah Wilson, Miss Marjory Lister, Mr. Harry Robinson, Mr. J. Wisfell, Mr. and Mrs. Lister, Lieut-Commander Wurtele, Mr. Harry Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Collins, Dr and Mrs. C. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. H. Leckie-Ewing, Mr. Peter Leckie-Ewing, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hazelwood, Mr. and Mrs Arthur Crump, Mrs. R. Jameson, Col. and Mrs. E. Pepler, Miss F. Musgrave, Mr. H. O. Madden, Miss Dorothy Freeman, Mr. Frank Dale Johnson, Mrs. E. Cuppage, Mr. W. Reade, Capt. and Mrs. T. Mathieson, Mr. and Mrs. McCallum, Miss Betty O'Brien, Commander Gauvreau, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Holmes, Capt. and Mrs. H. W. N Moorhouse, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Sinnott, the Misses Lillian, Elsa and Anne Michaelis, Dr. M. J. Keys, Dr. George Hall, Mr. M. L. Fitzgerald (Regina), Miss Margaret Watson, Miss K. Williams, Miss Virginia Goddard, Miss Joe Devles, Mr. Gordon Bell, Mr. Jack Watson, Mr. Roy Maconachie, Mr. Bill [illegible], Mr. and Mrs. [illegible], Fred Grubb (Vancouver), Major Keith MacDougall, Mrs. Charles MacDougall, Mrs. Charles MacKenzie, Mr and Mrs. John Baxter, Mr. and Mrs Harry Clark, Mrs. Humphrey Gates, Miss Vera Moffatt, Mr. Wallace Courtney, Mr. H. J. Bayliss, Miss Maidie Innes, Mr. Robin Piers, Major and Mrs. R. F. Castle, Dr. and Mrs. Allan Fraser, Mr. C. Brown, Miss P. Brown, Miss Carol Boyer, Mr. Maurice Pickering, Mr. D. Harkness, Mr. G. Godwin, Mr. G. H. Graham, Mr. J. Munroe, Mr. and Mrs. Eden Quainton, Major Murray, Dr. McClintock, Major Chambers, Mr. Lefeaux, Mr. K. Moore and Mr. Arthur Buckle.

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A very enjoyable evening was spent last Tuesday evening at the K. of C. Hall, Government Street, the occasion being the twenty-first birthday of Miss Evelyne Grieve. The evening was spent in dancing to the music of Reg Wood's orchestra. Tricks of magic by Ernest Crockford were enjoyed. Among the many beautiful gifts was a cedar chest from her fellow employees. The invited guests were: B. Woods, Misses Bobbie, Cliff, Gladys Nelson, M. Grieve, Verna Middleton, Irene Gandy, Teddy Mathews, Jean Cargill, Margy Blackstock, Rose Murphy, Biddy Boyce, Mary Chrow, Milly Williams, Barbara Pollard, Mary Heatley, Gwen Friggle, Fran Hutcheson, Dora Higgins, Annie Battison, Edith Mex, Annie Mex, Alexina Cockburn, "Syd" Morgan, Bessie Cruickshanks, Mona Morgan, Phyllis Hawkes, Dolly McAlpine, Doudie McAlpin, Ruby Ford, Peggy McAlpine, May Ball, Muriel Panthorpe, Melissa Daly, Rose Heal, Beth Doby, Olive Ireland, Marian Nancannon, Kay Gregson, Zoe Bradford, Joan Bradford, Olive Barker, Francis Patton, Maggie Black, Connie Quich, Sadie Gibbs, Nell McKay, V. Ohmen, Melba Mills, Clara O'Connell, Kay Freethy, Molly Hawks, Viola Blakeney, Mary Gootenka, Margaret Hamilton, Messrs. Cliff Walker, Art McKormack, Art Jackson, Jack Rawnsley, Jim McKay, Reg Woods, Morley Le Page, Bert Humphries, Art Baker, Barrett Webb, "Bunk" McKewan, Roy Heaton, Bert Acres, Harold Bassett, Jack Emerson, "Sonny" Richardson, Geo. Allen, Charlie Turner, Alex Rawlings, Steve Davey, Len Smith, Vic Smith, J. Tubman, Phil Townsend, F. Hannay, W. Pelland, B. Lashman, Al Hogan, Mike Pearce, Gordon Windwick, Lloyd Cann, B. Maynard, F. Hawkins, O. Long, F. Morgan, "Moke" Morgan, Ralph Sundin, Bill Trent, Jim Shaw, G. Morgan, C. Gawley, J. Johnson, S. Cornish, J. Tuthill, C. Tillson, D. Dickinson, H. Nancarrow, J. Reside, D. Bradley, D. Wakeham, J. Watt, J. O'Connor, B. O'Connor, T. Schoular, Les Pritsch, A. Provan, Bob Brown, "Smiler" Simmons, Mr. and Mrs. F. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. Easton, Mr. and Mrs. C. Wildig, Mr. and Mrs. G. Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. N. McKenzie, Mr. and Mrs. B. Pinter, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Cave, Mrs. M. Copley, Mrs. Carver, Mr. and Mrs. E. Abercrombie, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. Dal Munroe, Mr. and Mrs. D. Porter, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Grieve.

SMILES FOR SANTA CLAUS

—Photo by Hester Wilkinson

Among the hosts of kiddies hanging up their stockings this evening in anticipation of Christmas morning, will be these two little daughters of Mr. and Mrs. J. Stanley Gill of 3117 Quadra Street. Evelyn Mary is the taller of the two and Anne Elizabeth the shorter.

Charming Entertainment By Solarium Children

A. A. Milne's Play "Winnie-the-Pooh" Presented Saturday Afternoon By Little Patients; Santa Claus Distributes Gifts; Prizes Presented

According to the old adage Christmas comes but once a year, and when it comes brings good cheer. There is no cheerier place at the Yuletide season than the Queen Alexandra Solarium at Mill Bay, and on Saturday afternoon the sixty little patients enjoyed the annual Christmas entertainment and party with a gusto which might well be envied by other more fortunate children

As in other years an entertainment by the children was followed by a visit from Santa Claus, who distributed several gifts to each child from his capacious sack, and it was amazing to see how well the genial old saint had foreseen the wishes of the youngsters; even the small boy who wanted two autos got them, and both were streamline models, too.

CHARMING PLAY

Scenes from A. A. Milne's charming story of "Winnie-the-Pooh" were presented by some of the up-children, in a setting depicting a woodland glade. As with all the Solarium entertainments, the children acted with a delightful unself-consciousness and naivete which was charming, and at the same time touching, splints and crutches being no handicap to their interpretation of the quaint characters.

Robert Guay was a convincing Eeyore, with his horse-like head; Leonard Weaver was amusing as the greedy bear, Winnie-the-Pooh; Beth Clague, a fresh young Christopher Robin; Joy Deacon, a fascinating little Piglet; Mildred Holder was Kanga; Sheila Colbert, Baby Roo; Ronald Wakefield, a most vacillating Tigger, with a variable appetite; Robinette Zimmerman, John Little and Margaret Davis were tiny beeties in green costumes; Margory Goss and Mary King, sprightly little elves, and Amiko Sasaki, Bobby Davis, Wesley Calahaisen, Anna King, Jean Fairley, Molly Sears, Marion Gotch, Arthur Eirainson and Lillian Gregory were baby rabbits.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS

At the conclusion of the play the entire cast assembled in tableau formation and sang very sweetly a number of carols: "Joy to the World," "Like Silver Lanterns in the Sky," "A Babe in a Manger," "Christ is Born in Bethlehem," "Holy Night" and "Little Town of Bethlehem."

The splendid performance given by all the little actors reflected much credit upon the patient training of Miss Budd and Miss Ebbs-Canavan, the teachers, who also were responsible for the very clever and charming costumes worn in the play.

PRIZES PRESENTED

The accompaniments also were entrusted to one of the Solarium children, Aileen Steele, who later shared with Grace Woods the Dame Fawcett prize awarded to the best girl in the school, when W. B. Lannigan, president of the Solarium board of directors, presented these awards. Robert Guay, who, like Aileen Steele, had passed his entrance examinations as a candidate from the Solarium school last summer, won the Dame Fawcett prize for the best boy

After the formal part of the entertainment Dr. C. Wace and Miss Stone welcomed Santa Claus, who made his appearance at the door to the delight of the youngsters, and nurses and guests assisted tiny fingers to open the beautifully wrapped gifts, while little eyes got rounder and rounder.

Further excitement was created by the entrance of a huge Christmas pudding, topped with creamy sauce and holly, which when cut proved to be a luscious ice cream cake, the gift of the Palm Dairies Ltd., which annually remembers the little patients.

The grown-ups were then entertained at tea in the recreation room, which, as with the remainder of the institution, was beautifully decorated with holly and Christmas decorations.

TO DANCE AT SNOW BALL

Miss Maureen Grute, well-known Victoria dancer, who will be one of the attractions at the Snow Ball, which the Beaux Arts will stage at the Empress Hotel on Boxing Day. This will be one of the outstanding functions of the festive season. Balloons, streamers, Christmas trees and snowballs will add to the gaiety of the affair on Wednesday evening.

Weddings

LONG—YOUNG

The marriage took place at the St. Matthias Church, on Saturday, December 22, of Norah, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Young, Courtland Avenue, Saanich, and Mr. William H. Long, youngest son of Mrs. and the late Mr. James Long, of Middlesex, England. Rev. Robert Connell officiated.

BALDWIN—CLARCK

A pretty wedding was celebrated at St. Paul's Anglican Church in Nanaimo, Saturday evening, when Canon H. V. Hitchcox united in marriage Miss Margaret Clarck, youngest daughter of Mrs. and the late Alphonse Clarck, and Horace Baldwin, son of Mr. Baldwin, Rosehill Avenue, Nanaimo. The bride, who was given in marriage by her uncle, Mr. James Reid, looked charming in her bridal robe of white georgette over satin, and wore the traditional wedding veil, with shoes of white, with silver trimmings. Her bouquet was a shower of carnations and lilies. She was attended by Miss Doris Baldwin, sister of the groom. The groom was supported by Mr. Russell Clarck, Mr. Arthur Clarck acting as usher.

During the signing of the register Miss Gladys Addison sang "Because." The nuptial music was played by Mrs. Fred Nash. Following the ceremony a reception was held in the Elite Hall, Nanaimo, where a large number of invited guests sat down to supper. The happy couple left for Seattle, where the honeymoon will be spent. On their return they will reside in Nanaimo.

TWO SCORE IN ALIMONY ROW

Associated Press

Chicago, Dec. 24.—Fifty-six misogamists in alimony row of the Cook County jail to-day had their Yule tidings from the judge, and for forty-six it was very unchristmasy news indeed.

Ten of the IOU fraternity, some of whom "pledged" the cellblock when the bloom of August was still on the posies in Lincoln Park, stepped out into the December snowbanks. They won Christmas freedom on promises to shave down their respective arrearages to "the little woman."

But the hapless forty-six will spend the day of holly and mistletoe chinning themselves on the bars and hoping their ex-wives' Christmas turkeys are very tough birds. These are the skeptics who think Santa Claus is really a woman with a warped viewpoint.

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STREET-CAR SCHEDULES

CHRISTMAS DAY: The first cars in the morning will leave at the usual Sunday hour. The last cars in the evening will leave at the usual week-night hour.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 26: Cars will operate throughout the day under the usual week-day schedules.

METCHOSIN

The annual entertainment and Christmas tree of the Metchosin School was held in the Community Hall Friday evening, when an excellent programme was given under the direction of Principal A. B. Boyer. The programme was as follows: Opening chorus, "O Canada," school children; recitation, "My First Speech," Tommy Fisher; recitation, "A Christmas Alphabet," Charlie Martin; character dance, Gwennie May Ellwood; recitation, Canadian folk song, Mary Martin; Christmas carol, school children; recitation, "The Little Fisherman," William Beckingham; recitation, "The Village Gossip," Olive Snider; school drill by fifteen pupils; recitation, "A Song of the Housekeeper," Gwennie May Elwood; recitation, "A Christmas Present," Robert Martin; recitation, "A Little Girl's Speech," Muriel Field; chorus by school children, "Till the Clouds Roll By"; recitation, "Tale of a Stamp," Violet Ball; recitation, "Somersaults," Winnie Brown; play, "Half an Hour's Peace," Olive Snider, Mildred Ball, Ruth Beckingham, Florence Thornett, Terry McCreight, Billy Martin; recitation, "Pirate Don Durk of Dowdle," William Martin; recitation, "The Lark and the Rook," Ernest McCoy; play, "Sweeter Than Gold," Paula Jonas, Violet Ball, Gwennie May Ellwood, Mary Martin, Peggy Jonas, Muriel Field, Winnie Brown, Irene Broderson, Florence Thornett, Dong Ying and Theodore Holland; God Save the King, school children. At the conclusion of the concert Santa Claus appeared and presented gifts. The school secretary, F. F. Prudd, on behalf of the trustees, tendered thanks to Rev. H. M. Bolton, who acted as chairman, and to all those who donated and gave their services for the success of the undertaking. Special mention was made of Miss Violet Clarke, who directed the children's plays, and Miss Valerie Ellwood, who conducted the dancing, both contributing to the musical items. Thanks were also extended to Stanley Ball, who undertook the role of Santa Claus. Praise was given to Mr. Boyer, through whose untiring efforts much of the success of the evening was due.

Services at St. Mary's Church on Christmas Day will be holy communion at 8 a.m. and matins and holy communion at 11 o'clock.

DID NOT LIVE FOR CHRISTMAS

Muskegon, Mich., Dec. 24.—Five-year-old Donna Mavis Shaw, who knew all of the sorrow and some of the joys of the fictional "Tiny Tim," died last night amid the tinsel and holly of "the Christmas yet to come."

Suffering from a malignant growth which her physicians feared would not permit her to live until Tuesday, Donna died while her parents arranged her gifts around the gaily decorated tree which they hoped against hope Donna would be able to enjoy Christmas morning.

It was Christmas time for Donna, right up to the last. She had been able to see her tree, had ridden in the toy automobile upon which she had set her heart and had been thrilled with hundreds of greeting cards sent to her from all parts of the country.

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VICTORIA W.I. REVIEW YEAR

The annual meeting of the members of Victoria Women's Institute was held at the Institute rooms, 635 Fort Street, with an attendance of thirty-five members. Splendid reports were received from the conveners of both institute and special committees.

The retiring president, Mrs. W. Peden, thanked the directors and members of the splendid help and co-operation she received during the year and spoke of the encouraging prospects of much progress in the coming year.

The directors' annual report was read by the secretary, Mrs. A. M. Brown, after which the chair was taken by Mrs. J. G. Gordon, president of the provincial W.I. Board. Nominations for the executive were then received and after balloting the newly-elected directors chose their officers as follows: Mrs. J. L. White, president; Mrs. E. S. Blair, vice-president; Mrs. L. Schmelz, treasurer; Mrs. W. Peden, secretary, and Mrs. G. Sexton, director.

A recommendation was made that the institute rules and regulations be changed to allow the election of the institute president before the nominations for the other four directors were received.

The members expressed their thanks to the officers who were retiring, and to the staff of The Times and The Colonist for their help during the past year.

Immediately following the business of the annual meeting the new officers took their places and the programme of the December business took place. The visiting committee reported flowers sent and visits to members ill and to a member from a mainland city ill in a local hospital.

The report of a successful bazaar, afternoon tea and bridge party held [illegible] by the convener on behalf of her committee. Delegates to the annual meeting of the Local Council of Women were named and arrangements made to decorate the Christmas tree in the second floor sunroom at Jubilee Hospital.

Institute committees were selected as follows: Agriculture, Mrs. Arnold, and another to be named later; education and better schools, Mrs. Wilkinson; home economics, Mrs. Blair Reed; industries, Mrs. White and Mrs. Findlay; public health and child welfare, Mrs. Manson and Mrs. Peden; legislation, Mrs. Akins and Mrs. MacLean; immigration, Mrs. Day and Miss Hamilton; institute work and method, Mrs. White and Mrs. Gordon; community betterment, Mrs. McPhee and Mrs. Peden; publicity and national events, Mrs. G. Brown; League of Nations, Mrs. K. Palmer; sick visiting, Mrs. Terry; ways and means committee for January will be composed of Mrs. Palmer, Mrs. Terry, Mrs. Laird, Mrs. Self and Mrs. Manson. The same committee for February will be Mrs. Lortimer, Mrs. Blair Reed, Mrs. Urquhart, Mrs. Anstey and Mrs. Day.

Affiliation fees to the Historical Society were voted paid with Mrs. G. Brown as the institute representative.

Before the close of the meeting a beautiful silver flower basket and a bouquet of carnations and fern were presented on behalf of the members by Mrs. J. D. Gordon to the retiring president, Mrs. Peden. Tea was served and a short social time enjoyed by the thirty-five members present.

Burnside Club Dance. — Burnside Ladies' Lawn Bowling Club are making all arrangements for the New Year's Eve dance in Hampton Hall. Well known for their happy and well conducted parties, this one promises to be a crowded occasion. All members inviting friends can learn details of the preparations under way from the president, Mrs. A. W. Stewart, Constance Cove, or the recently appointed secretary, Mrs. Playfair, Harriet Road.

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By MYRTLE MEYER ELDRED

In every walk of life, whatever the financial circumstances, it can be taken for granted that whether Christmas be a day of purely religious significance, or whether it means a reunion with family, or friends, and a day of gift-giving and celebration, it always starts out happily and too often ends in a disagreeable snarl.

The sacrifice of time, of thought, the excessive effort to provide wanted gifts often beyond the limits of one's purse, the excitement and emotionalism of the day itself, exhaust the parental spirit, put barbs on tongues and light fires under tempers.

PLAN A REST PERIOD

One wishes that this might not be. One wishes that the day begun with such high purposes, with such a self-sacrificing and gracious spirit, might end on the same note. It might, were parents readier to recognize their own limits of endurance and quick to detect symptoms of fatigue and strain in their children. Too high, excitable laughter, the ready tears, the tendency to run madly from one toy to another, and be dissatisfied with all of them—these are the danger signals.

See that a nap or rest period divides the wearisome day in half. Send the children out for a period of active play in the open air to work off excess energy, induced by the rich, nutritious meals, the unusual amount of sweets, and thus prevent temper tantrums and indigestion.

A GIFT MORE PRECIOUS

Tactfully put away some or all of the new toys and present the small [illegible] toys as familiar as to avert all concentration and fatigue in the effort to enjoy them.

If this is to be the children's day, it is just as important that they be saved fatigue and stress, unpleasant scolding or punishment as that they receive all the toys and games and clothing for which they have voiced requests.

Let them be tucked into bed with the feeling that Christmas is a perfect day, from every angle, and the parent will have offered them a memory gift more precious than any perishable material one.

COLWOOD

Colwood, Dec. 24.—Colwood School pupils, under the direction of E. Emery and Miss C. Godfrey, presented an excellent Christmas entertainment on Thursday evening. The programme was as follows: "The Broken Doll," Diane Christensen; "On Bethlehem's Hills," Division Two, soloist, Dola Hughes, Robin Thomas, Geoffrey Duprose and George Blogg, "Christmas Worries," Robert Wall, Bobbie Turner, Ronnie Realey, Toddy Sherwin, Arthur Vallis and Allan Windle; a lullaby, Alice Jameson; "Filling a Christmas Stocking," Patsy Barker, Betty Jameson, Buddie Peate, Joyce Christensen, Kenneth Cockerton, Herbie Cooper, Pat Peatt and Hughie Redley; "Christmas Home Songs," May King, Buddie Peatt, Ellen Gummeson and Phyllis Little; "A Christmas Dream"—Dola Hughes, Robin Thomas, Bobbie Page, Lawrence Wall, Jimmie Chow, Holly Chow. A Christmas Recipe"—Lewis Neff. "Offering From Foreign Lands" — Rola Hughes, Phyllis Little, Betty Jameson, Buddie Peatt, Patsy Parker, Ellen Gummeson. A Minstrel Show—Robin Thomas as Old Black (violin and vocal solo); Marguerite Hinksman (Satin-Glo), "Mammy's Little Alabama Coon"; David Duprose (snowball), Nancy Pat; interlocutor, David McLean; ends, Arthur Sherwin (bones), Dick Cockburn (Sambo). A Lighted Christmas Greeting — Allan Windle, Kenneth Cockerton, Pat Peate, Phyllis Luite, Patsy Parker, Herbie Cooper, Elsie Neff, Bobbie Turner, Betty Peatt, Ellen Gummeson, Betty Jameson, May Hing, Lawrence Wall, Bobby Paget. Rev. Acheson Lyle acted as chairman. After refreshments were served Santa Claus presented each child with a gift—balloon and candy—from a decorated tree.

AUNT HET

BY ROBERT QUILLEN

"I reckon I'm a weak Christian; but when the weather's cold, I don't see no harm in sayin' your prayers after you get in bed."

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SANTA VISITS HOSPITAL TOTS

Daughters of Pity Sponsor Party at Jubilee

The Daughters of Pity played Santa Claus Saturday night in the children's ward of the Royal Jubilee Hospital.

A Christmas concert by a talented party of entertainers and Old Saint Nick himself (in the person of Miss Kathleen Roberts, president of the society) gave the kiddies a happy time until well after their usual hour for bed, and the nurses joined in the fun.

The children themselves staged an impromptu concert with the nurses before Santa Claus arrived. "Jingle Bells" and the other popular Christmas songs swelled from young throats, which were lusty enough despite illness.

The ward was decorated with lighted trees and festoons of cedar boughs, while Mickey Mouse balloons, teddy bears, dolls and other Christmas knicknacks were strewn about the ward.

Santa visited each of the little in turn with a present all wrapped in Christmas trimmings. Large eyes glowed and little fingers trembled excitedly as they were opened.

From the children's ward, Santa Claus visited the babies' ward and was greeted with gurgles and cooing as "he" pinned rattles on the coverlets.

The artists entertaining the children were announced by Samuel J. Drake, president of the hospital board.

June Gibson, arrayed in theatrical clothes, did a tap dance. Geraldine Elliott performed some Scotch dances and Barbara Groves, dressed as a fairy, did singing and dancing. L. O. Conyers rendered three vocal solos, and Florence Hobday drew loud acclaim from the kiddies for an impersonation of Minnie Mouse tap-dancing.

The kiddies were served ice cream before being tucked in for the night.

Albanians Say No Revolt Staged

Associated Press

Tirana, Albania, Dec. 24.—The Albanian Government, in denying reports from abroad of revolt, said today there was complete calm throughout the country.

An official statement issued by the Foreign Office said false reports concerning an uprising in the Dibra region had been circulated in Albania with the apparent purpose of marring the celebration to-day of the tenth anniversary of King Zog's ascension to the throne.

REPORT IN GREECE

[illegible] Dec. 24.—The newspaper Kathimerina to-day said travelers from Albania reported a revolt was under way against the government headed by King Zog and that 2,000 men were marching on Tirana, Albania's capital.

Martial law was said to have been declared, with a partial mobilization of the nation's military forces ordered.

To-day was the tenth anniversary of Zog's ascension to the throne and a national celebration had been planned by the little Adriatic kingdom.

King Zog, who is thirty-nine, is unmarried, which has been a source of disappointment to his people.

He is a hereditary chieftain of the Mati Clan and in 1924 led it against the Serbs. As a result he was proclaimed the first President of the [illegible] later was made king of the Albanians by the National Assembly.

Zog, called Zogu in Albania, was only seventeen when he returned from school in Istanbul and entered the Balkan War.

MINISTER'S DAUGHTER IS VISITOR

—Photo by Savannah

MISS KENNA C. MACDONALD

who has arrived from Vernon to spend the holidays with her parents, Hon. K. C. MacDonald and Mrs. MacDonald, 1530 Despard Avenue.

CHILDREN'S TEA GAY ONE

Over 250 Little Guests at Empress Hotel Saturday Afternoon

Over 250 children crammed the lounge of the Empress Hotel on Saturday afternoon on the occasion of the annual Christmas tea arranged by the management, the affair being one of the jolliest functions of the year.

Illuminated and glittering Christmas trees formed an appropriate setting for the prettily decorated tea tables and during the afternoon "Torchy" Peden, Archie McKinnon and Bob Gordon, who enacted the part of clowns, distributed hundreds of toy balloons, which added to the colorful effect. Later the children were led on a merry march by the clowns through the ballroom foyer, where they joined hands and danced around the Christmas tree.

Pupils of Miss Florence Clough appeared in several charming dance numbers, the first being a tap dance by Ethel Gillis, Evelyn Finn and Winifred Hope. The second number was a Spanish waltz by Beverly Armstrong, followed by a buck and wing tap dance by Velda Wille.

Very dainty was the silver ballet, Ilace Roskelly taking the solo dance part as the Fairy Queen. The solo song number, "Santa Claus is Coming to Town," was sung by little Nedra Mitchell and taking part in the ballet were Patsy Shapland, Maureen Ferguson, Leona Calwell, Mary Lou Morgan, Barbara Warren, Beverly Francis, Corinne Earle, Doreen Dalziel, Joan Reid, Marjorie Jones, Joyce Currie and Donna Davis.

TABLES RESERVED

Among those who reserved tables for the party were: Mrs. A. Aylard, with a party of six; Mrs. A. McHugh, with a party of three; Mrs. Bishop, with three; Mrs. E. Bendrodt, with four; Miss A. Cochrane, with three; Mrs. George Tallamy, with three; Mrs. Angus Campbell, with eight; Mrs. J. O. Cameron, with four; Mrs. A. T. Dawe, with four; Mrs. C. Drayton, with four; Mrs. O. H. Dorman, with nine; Mrs. R. T. Elliott, Mrs. H. H. Shandley, Mrs. D. O. Cameron, Mrs. D. Mowat, Miss V. Shandley, Mrs. Egan, with five; Mrs. I. Earle, with five; Mrs. A. H. Ford, with four; Mr. Forebaugh, with three; Mrs. V. Gravlin, with seven; Miss Gayner, Mrs. Hilton, with five; Mrs. J. K. Hodges, with seven; Mrs. Jackson, with nine; Mrs. Kemp, with four; Mrs. Kennedy, with four; Mrs. Walter Laing, with five; Mrs. R. H. Ley, with four; Mrs. E. H. Mitchell, with two; Mrs. F. MacPherson, with eight.

Mrs. H. W. N. Moorhouse, with four; Mrs. M. E. Moscrop, with five; Mrs. K. MacCarter, with eight; Mrs. Maunsell, with two; Mrs. E. J. McLoughlin, with four; Mrs. Mulholland, with six; Mrs. J. H. Moore, with six; Mrs. E. A. E. Nixon, with eight; Mrs. A. McKinnon, with four; Miss M. Patterson, Mrs. S. Paters, with [illegible]; Mrs. P. A. Reid, with three; Mrs. Williams, Mrs. A. W. Wells with four; Mrs. Wormald, with three; Mrs. Woolison and Mrs. Webb, with four.

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To town with Mistress Castlemaine, very merry as we meet friends we do know a'rushing about well loaded with parcels. 'Tis a merry time, everyone do smile a greeting and great holiday spirit do permeate the air.

With all this joy and excitement within the air 'tis fitting spot to go within the Posy Shoppe, for here everything be bright and gay. Mistress Whyte doth greet us with a smile even as she doth dash about among the flowers tying up many goode plants and bouquets for delivery before Christmas. The plants within this shoppe be the best in town. Chrysanthemums, too, their spicy fragrance doth breathe the Yuletide spirit. It be well to remember flowers may be telegraphed to friends without the town.

Do immediately to the Period Arts in Belmont House for there be no place in town where 'tis possible to choose last-minute gifts to better advantage than in this fine shoppe. Glassware of the finest, China—English ware that do speak of beauty—brassware of perfect workmanship. Woolen scarfs, hand woven in intricate designs—they do be made right upon this island. Mr. Reynolds do show a multitude of Christmas gift suggestions so different and individual, and withal of prices such as ne'er have been heard of before. Christmas shopping in such place as Period Arts be pleasant, indeed.

Do wish some more fine Christmas bon-bons, for do thinke nothing do help to brighten the few moments after Christmas dining, than these bright Yuletide crackers— and the hats and gewgaws they do contain. Diggon's, at 1208 Government Street, do break boxes in half and do sell but six bonbons, if it so happen 'tis but six one do want. No matter what the price 'tis possible to buy but half the box and methinks this be perfect service indeed. 'Tis possible to buy these fine bonbons in whole box, too. Each and every one do contain a hat —and also a novelty.

With much laughter we do hurry along the streets until we do reach Little and Taylor's shoppe on Yates Street. Do go within to finde this place be very busy indeed. 'Tis well known the quality of all their goodes be of the best and that they do stock many fine articles of jewelry for gift suggestions. Here be fine compacts, cigarette cases, brilliant jewelry, clocks, beautiful watches, fountain pens—and a myriad more thinges that do please fastidious people. Prices, too, do be within the reach of all. Here be shoppe that do have an all year around stock and the quality be maintained with every piece that do come within their portals.

My Christmas shopping be over. All my lists be finished and I do feel well pleased. Did finde so much of pleasure in my shopping this year, and so many new friends did I make within the portals of each shoppe, I am loathe to see this season pass. So much of courtesy did I receive from worthy merchants, I would thanke them one and all—and wish everyone within this town the best Yuletide they did ever experience—and in the year but just appearing upon the horizon an abundance of luck and goode wishes.

The day doth draw to a close—long shadows do steal to me as I sit before my desk penning these last lines within my diary. Soon the lights will shine out and my gay holly wreaths will breathe a soft fragrance of Christmas goode things. Looking forward do see a busy week-end ahead with much of pleasure within the hours. Slowly close the leaves of this my diary—and go to meet Samuel as he do come toward me through the purpling shadows.

Her Son Won't Be Home This Christmas

—but he will talk to her by long-distance telephone

She will have the thrill of hearing her son say, "Merry Christmas, Mother!"
What precious minutes those will be! And what memories will be hers *afterwards!*

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Blonde Goddess

— A New Serial —

By HERBERT JENSEN

Who did it? Indians, McGrath thought. He saw one while he lay by the trail's side. He thought Ortega had been captured because he had heard his voice talking with the others. But he couldn't be sure. He'd been nearly unconscious: they had taken him for dead.

"They went through my pockets," whispered McGrath." "Then they threw me into the brush like . . . like a hunk of meat!"

"My gun had fallen in a swamp. I remembered that and fished it out when I came to. They had gone—"

Juan crashed through the brush and crouched, panting, beside Grahame.

"Senor!" He spoke swiftly. "They come! I went back to watch and heard them. They are just behind me!"

"Good boy," breathed Grahame.

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Almost with one gesture he emptied the pan of water upon the smouldering fire, and heaped dirt over the steaming embers. He glanced toward the trail and was satisfied that they were sufficiently screened from the company of men which would pass within the next few minutes. Already he could hear their vague shuffling trail noises.

It was late afternoon. Grahame blessed the luck that had given them this emergency when shadows were deep. Any tell-tale sign they may have left had good chances of being overlooked in that deceptive haze of pre-dusk.

He saw white moving through the screen of brush and trees; then they were abreast of him. Almost he held his breath. On the other side of the wounded man, Juan lay. Studiously the boy kept his eyes fastened upon the moving feet that padded the trail so few yards away.

Grahame smiled. It is said that jungle-wise folk can feel eyes upon them, and Juan was taking no chances. McGrath's breathing, too, seemed quieter.

Mosquitoes and gnats whined at the sweat on Grahame's face. He ached to brush them away—to grind his palms against the skin that twitched in protest against the punishment it was taking.

The column of figures that passed them seemed to be without end. He saw patches of white drifting by—the ammunition cases upon the backs of men. Once the line halted. His hands tightened over the stock of his rifle. There was a faint call from ahead and fragments of white moved again.

Then suddenly the last figure passed. Still Grahame and the boy lay immobile. All sound ceased. For minutes the American remained without movement, then slowly he began to draw one leg forward, preparing to rise. He felt Juan's hand grip his ankle. Again he relaxed.

He heard his wrist watch ticking a yard from his ear. Then came a soft sound from the trail—the breathing of men. It sounded as close as if he were locked in a closed room with several sleepers. He saw nothing although his eyes ached from the intentness of his gaze. Then a shadow drifted by between him and the trail's edge, and vanished.

It seemed hours later when somewhere off to the left sounded the call of a brush turkey. A small animal darted into the tangle ahead of him, moving too swiftly to be identified. Again the turkey called nearer this time. Juan arose. Wings fluttered in the branches about as if his movement had disturbed them

"It is all right now," said the boy. "It was very curious that no birds moved or called after the main company passed. I knew then that others followed to protect the rear." He drew a breath deeply. "We were very lucky," he concluded.

"That's right," said Grahame simply. He turned and looked at McGrath. "McGrath!" he called sharply.

CHAPTER XXIV

Juan glanced at the figure at his feet. He crossed himself. Grahame took off his khaki sun helmet and set it beside the overturned water pan. McGrath's eyes stared glassily at nothing.

"Poor devil," said Grahame. "I wish he had let me give him the hypo."

They buried McGrath in the swamp. Returning, they re-lighted their fire. Although there was plenty of game about, they dared not risk a shot, so ate a meal of cold beans and meat.

They slept for several hours. Grahame decided that for comfort's sake the troupe ahead of them would travel all night. Juan agreed that this was probably true, and if they began to follow about midnight, they could comfortably and safely follow the trail for at least six hours.

They awoke at eleven. Juan slipped off in the darkness and in a little while returned with a large bush turkey dangling by his side. He grinned when Grahame questioned him.

"You heard this one this afternoon. He sleeps in a tree not far from here. To-night—" he chuckled. "—he sleeps with us."

The boy dressed and cooked the bird — tropic refrigeration. The cooked meat would last them through the next day.

They ate, and began their march southward along the trail. Grahame pondered upon what McGrath had told him. The taking of moving pictures in this cruel country seemed a little incredible.

If it were authentic ruins they wanted, there were several within a day's train ride of Merida, the capital of Yucutan, and a civilized place. There was no reason for striking south of Merida into this unknown country.

The wounded man had mentioned the name Ortega. While the name was a common enough one, nevertheless Frank began to have a presentiment that the name was recurring too often to be entirely coincidence. It was an Ortega whom he had never seen that had been involved—he still thought—in Janice's abduction in Hollywood.

It was Ortega who had landed the arms at the hacienda on the east coast. While that had happened two weeks before, still, Ortega in the launch, could have been back at Merida in three days.

And it had been from Merida that still another Ortega had guided the man McGrath in a southeasterly direction to this spot. That is, if it had been another of the same name.

Frank shook his head in puzzlement.

The dying man had said others were to follow. Probably a whole group of actors and technical men. Women, too, most probably. He was struck with a sudden chill. Janice Kent might be among them!

Supposing this was Myberg's company of people come to Yucatan for location. He remembered now that Spin Winslow had said that Myberg liked authentic backgrounds and that this man, Ortega, was to have guided them to where bigger and better ones were.

This would be a beastly place for women if the plan was to come here. He uttered an exclamation that was half irritation, half fear. Juan paused but at Grahame's gruff word continued on.

McGrath had said that his Ortega had been captured by the Indians who had assaulted them. Supposing then that he was one and the same with the man who had landed te guns. Because of that he would have some sinister understanding with these jungle people and would not be harmed. He might even be allowed to return to Merida, where he could make plans to bring the remainder of the motion picture people into this place—and to their destruction!

He speculated upon the motive, then dismissed the train of thought as being unimportant. Plenty of motive for a criminal. Robbery for one, ransom perhaps, although the latter seemed improbable since McGrath had been murdered without a chance to buy himself out of his difficulty. Were there women along, there would be another possibility.

Although the night was cold, the sweat started trickling from his forehead, and the palms of his hands were slippery.

He called ahead to Juan, who slowed his pace until his back was but a yard or two ahead of Grahame.

"Tell me, son," he said. "Have you ever seen these people who live in the jungle?"

"Often. We call them sublevados—unconquered ones. The men come to the coast at the right season and bring blocks of chicle which they sell to the agents."

"What do they look like?"

"A poor lot." Juan spoke contemptuously. "Sometimes we have seen ever heard of the Virgin of Guadalupe, or of the Church, for that matter. They will burn in Hell, all of them, which is a pity perhaps, since some of them are white. I have even seen blonde ones."

"What!" exclaimed Grahame. "Did you say white?"

"Si, senor, white." He chuckled in the darkness. "Ah, those Spaniards were great travelers. They tell me Cortez himself was rubio, blond."

"Have you ever seen their women?"

"No," answered Juan shortly. "Nor has any other Mexican either. That is the reason, I think, why these jungle people hate us so. When Diaz was president, he sent troops in here who acted badly. That was years ago. They were all killed."

"H-m-m," Grahame strode along in silence. Blood calls to blood. If there were renegade whites living in some jungle sanctuary, perhaps there was more than just robbery behind this Ortega's plan to bring the motion picture troupe—with women—into this inaccessible place.

Grahame's belief was growing that McGrath's Ortega and the one who had taken him in his launch to the east coast were of one and the same identity. Some instinct told him also that the Ortega of Hollywood might be the same man.

(To Be Continued)

HOROSCOPE

"The stars incline, but do not compel"

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1934

Benefic aspects rule on this Christmas Day, which dawns with good vibrations, quickening the heart to love and human sympathy.

In the morning hours the vibrations tend to lift the spirit to loftier planes of thought and to extend to all a sense of peace and confidence. Past troubles vanish.

While there is a sign that causes older men and women to indulge in sad memories a philosophic trend will awaken gratitude.

On this day the mind may be exceedingly active and even changeable in its emotions. Extremes again are indicated in the stars. The day will reveal need and luxury, poverty and wealth in all phases.

There should be much joy in sociability. It is an auspicious time to entertain, but in many places simplicity will mark the day's programme. It is well to avoid alcoholic drinks.

Danger of accidents and even of violent crimes is seen in the stars. Care should be exercised in travel by rail automobile and airplane. The week may be marked by changeable weather in many parts of the country.

Wind storms are prognosticated for the winter. Tornadoes and cyclones may cause damage in certain places. Cold weather is forecast for many states. Florida and California will attract tourists.

America, England and Ireland are under a very fortunate rule of the stars. Prosperity is presaged, but warning is given that speculation should be avoided.

Persons whose birthdate it is have the augury of a year of fair business and professional advancement, but domestic affairs may cause anxiety.

Children born on this day probably will be resourceful and ambitious. Subjects of this sign usually are intelligent and scholarly.

Isaac Newton, mathematician and philosopher, was born on this day, 1642.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1934

Astrologers read this as a fortunate day in planetary direction. It is primarily a time for meeting friends and for catching up with holiday letters.

The moon's good aspect to Venus and its conjunction with Neptune operate favorably for all who enjoy artistic entertainments. Theatres and concerts should profit under this sway.

This holiday season should be memorable because it reveals new channels of prosperity and brings us into closer relationship with Great Britain and Canada.

Factories will profit because of a sudden growth in export trade.

Travel to the Orient and to South American countries should show marked increase in the next few months. California's tourist crop may be augmented by a change in winter resort popularity due to interest in sports on the part of the younger set. Florida also will be affected by a passing fancy among the wealthy. Horses are to be of great interest

Persons whose birthdate it is have the augury of a year of prosperity and advancement in business and the professions.

Children born on this day probably will be practical and energetic. Subjects of this sign usually are imaginative and ambitious. Luck plays an important part in their lives.

Those who have celebrated it as a birthday include Jerome Joseph Green, electrical engineer, 1805; Thomas Gray, English poet, 1716.

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ON THE AIR

CFCT, VICTORIA
(1,450 Kilocycles)

To-night

5.30—Birthday Party.
6.00—Dancing Tempo.
6.30—All-star Parade.
7.30—Accordiana.
7.45—Feature Programme.
8.00—Colonist Radio Reporter.

Christmas Day

5.50—Special Empire Programme, featuring Christmas Message of King George.
8.00—The Compliments of the Season.
8.30—Eric Marshall: "Christians—Ancient and Modern."
8.45—Christmas Tree.
9.00—Dr. Clem Davies and Eric Marshall—"Christmas Epic."
9.30—Prizewinning Boys' Choir.
10.00—George Read at the Organ.
10.30—Art Parey—All-request programme.
11.00—Christmas Music.
11.15—Eric Edwards, Christmas Programme.
11.30—Len Foster, "Ramblings on a Tin Whistle."
11.45—Dorothy Davies—Dramatic Presentation.
12.00—George Read at the Organ.
12.30—World Book Man.
12.35—Christmas Greetings

CKCV, VANCOUVER
(1,100 Kilocycles)

To-night

5.30—Recordings.
6.00—One Hour with You.
7.00—Investment Talk.
7.15—Recordings.
7.30—Symphony Hour.
8.30—Province News.
8.45—Farm Talks.
9.00—Rusty and His Guitar.
9.15—Phyllis Bentham and Gordon Manley—Piano duo.
9.30—Sidelights on Music, by "R.J."
9.45—Three Belles.
10.00—Ray and His Violin.
10.15—The Marshall Sisters.

Christmas Day

11.45-2.00—"Hansel and Gretel," from Metropolitan.
5.30—Recordings.
6.00—Blattnerphone Re-broadcast of Christmas Message from the King.
6.05—Soirees de Quebec.
6.30—Hands Across the Border
7.00—Sous Bois.
7.30—Billy Bissett and his orchestra.
7.45—Canadian Press News and weather
8.00—The Columbians.
8.30—Sun News.
8.45—Similitudes, Gladys Cooper.
9.00—Programme from Trail.
9.15—Mr. and Mrs.
9.30—Organ Silhouettes.
10.00—Neapolitan Trio

CJOR, VANCOUVER
(600 Kilocycles)

To-night

5.45—Mellow Melodies.
6.45—Santa Claus Programme.
7.00—Bird and Talling.
7.30—Leo and Ray Norris.
7.45—"Immediate Issues."

Christmas Day

7.45—Devotional Programme.
9.00—Optical Programme.
9.15—Smiling Billy Blinkhorn.
9.30—Edith Carrothers.
9.45—Stock Quotations.
12.00—Spencer Hour.
1.00—British Israel Programme
4.45—Lutheran Broadcast.
5.15—Cowboy Programme.
5.45—Mellow Melodies.
6.00—Frank and Alice.
6.30—Prairie Drifters.
7.00—Alice and Lolly.
7.15—Commonwealth Broadcast
7.30—Douglas Social Credit.
8.00—Monitor News.
8.30—Alma Band.

Wednesday

7.45—G.T. Fellowship.
9.00—Optical Programme.
9.15—Smiling Billy Blinkhorn
9.45—Stock Quotations.
10.00—Shut-in Programme.
10.15—Going Hollywood.
12.00—Spencer Hour.

KOMO, SEATTLE
(920 Kilocycles)

To-night

5.00—Jan Garber's Supper Club.
5.30—Stamp Club.
5.45—Silhouettes.
6.00—Thirty Minutes of Music.
6.30—House Party.
7.00—Contented Hour.
7.30—Memory Lane.
8.00—Amos an' Andy.
8.15—Red Davis.
8.30—Operatic Star.
9.00—The Show, with Rush Hughes.
10.00—News Flashes.
10.15—Clef Dwellers.
10.30—Moonlight Melodies.
11.00—Hall Grayson's Orchestra.
11.30—Jimmy Grier's Orchestra.

Christmas Day

5.00—Organ Rhapsody, Richard Leibert, Organist, in Christmas Programme.
5.15—Under Christmas Skies, Maie ostt".
5.30—Christmas on the Steppes.
5.45—British Empire Christmas Day Programme.
7.10—Three C's, Harmony Trio
7.15—Gospel Singer.
7.30—N.B.C. Programme.
7.45—Tom Mitchell, baritone.
8.00—Morning Reveries.
8.30—String Trio.
9.00—Mary's Friendly Garden.
9.30—Programme.
9.45—Three of a Kind.
10.05—Army Band.
10.30—Women's Magazine of the Air.
11.30—Smackout, Marian and Jim Jorden.
11.45—Hansel and Gretel, Opera.
2.00—Programme.
2.15—Betty and Bob.
2.30—Al Pearce and His Gang.
3.00—Rush Hughes.
3.15—Your Christmas Tree.
4.15—Hotel Penn Orchestra.
4.30—Birnbaum's Bavarians.
5.00—Beaux Arts Trio.
5.30—Lawrence Tibbett.
6.00—Musical Mannequins.
6.30—Ed. Wynn, Graham McNamee.
7.00—Beauty Box Theatre of the Air.
8.00—Amos an' Andy.
8.15—Hal Burdick.
8.30—Leo Reisman's Orchestra.
9.00—Ben Bernie.
9.30—Death Valley Days.
10.00—News Flashes.
10.15—Tom Coakley and Orchestra.
11.00—Moonlight Melodies.
11.30—Hal Grayson's Orchestra

Wednesday

7.00—Harvest of Song.
7.15—Florenda Trio.
7.30—Financial Service.
7.45—Tom Mitchell, baritone.
8.00—Morning Reveries.
8.15—String Trio.
9.00—Mary's Friendly Garden.
9.30—Marshall's Mavericks.
10.00—Ramblings with Jack and Jill.
10.15—Mickey Gillette and his music.
10.30—Woman's Magazine of the Air.
11.30—Smackout.
11.45—Vic and Sade.
12.00—The Ramblers.
12.15—Viennese Vagabonds.
12.30—Farm Talk.
12.45—Cowboy Joe.
1.00—Betty and Bob.
1.15—Tea Table Tales.
1.30—Ma Perkins.
1.45—Dreams Come True.
2.00—Al Pearce and his gang.
3.00—Pictorial, Rush Hughes.

KJR, SEATTLE
(970 Kilocycles)

To-night

5.00—Captain Cracker.
5.15—Magic Harmony.
5.30—Tarzan.
5.45—Little Orphan Annie.
6.00—News Reporter.
6.15—Romance Time.
6.45—Air Adventures, Jimmie Allen.
7.00—Popular Concert.
7.15—Dollars and Sense.
7.30—Cathedral Choir.
8.15—Carefree Capers.
8.30—Highlight Hour.
9.00—News Reporter.
9.15—Musical Scrapbook.
9.30—The Purple Ray.
9.45—Chamber of Commerce.
10.30—Blue Moonlight.
11.30—Ted Fio Rito's Orchestra.
11.30—Reflections of Romance.

Christmas Day

7.30—Sunrisers.
7.45—Shadows on the Clock.
8.00—Johnny O'Brien, Harmonica.
8.15—Your Child.
8.30—United States Marine Band.
9.30—Early Echoes.
9.45—Love Notes.
10.00—Christmas Morning carols and hymns.
10.30—Interlude.
10.45—Uncle Hank.
11.00—Rhythm Rulers.
11.30—Singing Irish Minstrel.
11.45—Measured Steps.
12.00—Music Festival.
12.30—Chimes of the East.
1.00—Headlines.
1.30—Sundial.
1.45—Musical Headlines.
2.00—Salon Hour.
3.00—Operatic Gems.
3.15—Mickey Gillette and orchestra.
4.00—Bandsant.
4.30—You and Your Government.
4.45—The Big Top.
5.00—Steamboat Bill.
5.15—Castles in Music.
5.30—Once Upon a Time.
5.45—Little Orphan Annie.
6.00—Chiffon Jazz.
6.30—Fireside Phantasies.
6.45—Air Adventures of Jimmie.
7.05—Christmas Carols.
7.30—Old Song Contest.
7.45—Silver Strains.
8.00—American Family Robinson.
8.15—Night Editor, Hal Burdick.
8.30—Waltz Dreams.
9.00—News Reporter.
915—Charlie Kent and his singers.
9.30—Pick and Pat.
10.00—Till To-morrow.
10.30—Hal Grayson's Orchestra.
11.00—Ted Fio Rito's Orchestra.

Wednesday

7.30—Sunrisers.
7.45—Shadows on the Clock.
8.00—Honeymooners.
8.15—Tony Wen's Scrapbook.
8.30—United States Army Band.
9.00—Morning Miracles.
9.30—News Reporter.
9.45—Love Notes.
10.00—Homemakers' Time.
10.20—Music Shop.
10.30—Club Minutes.
10.45—Southern Serenader.
11.00—Rhythm Rulers.
11.30—Preschool Programme.
11.45—Measured Steps.
12.00—Tonic Tunes.
12.15—Western Farm and Home Hour.
1.00—Headliners.
1.15—Dr. Joseph Jastrow, Psychology.
1.30—The Sun Dial.
2.00—Salon Hour.
3.00—Easy Chair.

KVI, TACOMA
(570 Kilocycles)

To-night

5.00—Carson Robinson and Buckaroos.
5.15—Billy Bachelor.
6.00—Rosa Ponselle, Andre Kostelanetz.
6.30—Hollywood Country Church.
7.00—Wayne King's Orchestra.
7.30—Dr. R. M. Mellor.
7.45—Unsolved Mysteries.
8.00—Myrt and Marge.
8.15—Edwin C. Hill.
8.30—Kate Smith's New Star Revue.
9.00—Blue Monday Jamboree.
10.00—News Flashes.
10.30—Everett Hoagland's Orchestra.
11.30—Midnight Moods.

Christmas Day

6.00—Christmas Programme from London.
7.10—Daybreak Devotionals.
7.30—Morning Varieties.
8.15—Los Angeles Symphony.
9.00—Voice of Experience.
9.15—The Gumps.
9.30—Arthur Warren's Orchestra.
10.00—Hollywood Country Church.
10.30—Esther Velas' Ensemble.
10.45—Pat Kennedy, Art Kassell.
11.15—Front Page Headlines.
11.30—Dickens's "Christmas Carol"—John Barrymore.
2.15—Happy-go-lucky Hour.
3.00—Feminine Fancies.
3.30—Russell Brown, baritone.
3.45—Amusement Tips.
4.00—Dan Russo's Orchestra.
4.15—University of the Air.
4.45—Between the Bookends.
5.00—The Deerslayer.
5.15—Billy Bachelor.
5.30—Chic Scoggin's Orchestra.
5.45—"D.S.S." Club.
6.00—Bing Crosby and the Boswells.
6.30—Isham Jones and guest star.
7.00—Caravan.
7.30—Fats Waller's Rhythm Club.
7.45—The Voice of the Crusaders.
8.00—Myrt and Marge.
8.15—Gospel Singer.
8.30—Henry Busse's Orchestra.
8.45—Al Kavelin and his orchestra.
9.00—Krausmeyer and Cohen.
9.15—Armchair Traveler.
9.30—News Flashes.
9.45—Leon Navarro's Orchestra.
10.00—Everett Hoagland's Orchestra.
10.15—Fred Skinner, song stylist.
10.30—Orville Knapp's Orchestra.
11.30—Lionel Hampton's Orchestra.

Wednesday

6.00—Sunrise Club.
7.00—Daybreak Devotionals.
7.30—Scientific Health Talk.
7.35—Morning Varieties.
7.55—Musical Bracer.
8.00—Covered Wagon Jubilee.
8.15—Morning Market Specials.
8.30—Hollywood Country Church.
8.45—Jana Ellison's Magic Recipes.
9.00—Voice of Experience.
9.15—The Gumps.
9.30—Betty Crocker.
9.45—Mystic Melodies.
10.00—George Hall's Orchestra.
10.15—Sons of Pioneers.
10.30—Amusement Tips.
10.45—Herbert Foote, Organist.
11.00—The Observer.
11.15—Midmorning Melodies.
11.30—Children's Party—Tony Sarg.
11.45—Salon Moderne.
12.00—Market Specials.
12.15—Front Page Headlines.
12.30—News From State Capitol.
12.45—Kate Smith's Radio Hour.
1.00—National Student Federation.
1.15—Hollywood News.
1.30—Symposium: Fate of Foreign Investors.
2.00—Happy-go-lucky Hour.
3.00—Feminine Fancies.

KNX, HOLLYWOOD
(1,050 Kilocycles)

To-night

5.00—Sunset Serenade.
5.30—Og, Son of Fire.
5.45—Orphan Annie.
6.00—News.
6.15—Concert Group.
6.30—Your Dinner Dance.
6.45—Air Adventures of Jimmie Allen
7.00—Watanabe and Hon. Archie.
7.15—Rajpat.
7.30—The In-laws.
7.45—King Cowboy.
8.00—June Irwin.
8.15—Concert Orchestra.
8.30—Homer Canfield in Song.
8.45—Townsend Plan, Political.
9.00—News.
9.15—Smiling Ed. McConnell.
9.30—The Crocketts.
10.30—Pontrelli's Orchestra.

Christmas Day

7.00—Bill Sharples and Breakfast Club.
8.00—Carols of the World.
8.30—Song Bag.
9.00—Time Signal From Washington, D.C.
9.00—Dr. Frank McCoy, Health Talk.
9.15—Pop Concert.
10.00—Ten o'Clock Family.
10.30—Mary Holmes—Home Management.
10.45—Rhythm Encores.
11.00—Drury Lane and Organ.
11.30—Spice of Life.
11.45—Ionizer Talk.
12.15—Musical Jigsaws.
12.30—Concert Group.
1.00—Christmas Dance Party.
2.00—The Crocketts.
3.00—KNX Greetings.
3.30—Fletcher Wiley.
4.00—Haven of Rest.
4.30—Christmas Passion Play.
5.30—Universal Song Service.
5.45—Orphan Annie.
6.00—News.
6.15—Concert Group From Lucca's.
6.30—Your Dinner Dance.
6.45—Richfield.
7.00—Watanabe and Honorable Archie.
7.15—Lawrence King.
7.30—The In-laws.
7.45—King Cowboy.
8.00—June Irwin.
8.15—Adlerikans.
8.30—The Forge of Freedom.
9.00—News.
9.15—Reveries—With Drury Lane.
9.30—Pick and Pat.
10.00—The Crocketts.
10.45—Pentrelli's Orchestra.

KSL, SALT LAKE CITY
(1,130 Kilocycles)

To-night

5.00—Bar X Days and Nights
5.15—Tarzan.
6.00—Rosa Ponselle, Andre Kostelanetz
6.30—The Big Show.
7.00—Wayne King's Orchestra.
7.30—The Ridge Roamers.
7.45—Programme.
8.00—Myrt and Marge.
8.15—Edwin C. Hill.
8.30—Kate Smith's Hour.
9.00—Blue Monday Jamboree.
9.30—Christmas Carols.
9.45—Milt Taggart's Orchestra.
10.00—Everett Hoagland's Orchestra.
10.15—KSL Players.
10.45—Orville Knapp and his orchestra.

Christmas Day

6.00—Christmas Programme from London
7.00—Press Radio News.
7.10—Advertisers' Revue.
7.45—Morning Melodies.
8.00—Studio Ensemble.
8.15—Mary and John.
8.30—Ruth Clarke Evans.
8.45—Mary Lee Taylor, Bennie Walker
9.00—Voice of Experience.
9.15—The Gumps.
9.30—Jennie Lee.
9.45—Pat Kennedy, Art Kassel.
10.00—George Hall's Orchesta.
10.15—Donald Novis.
10.30—Christmas Day Programme.
11.30—Dickens's "Christmas Carol" with John Barrymore.
2.15—Dental Clinic of the Air.
2.30—Milton Charles.
2.45—Miniatures by Franklyn McCormick
3.00—Beatrice Osgood, pianist.
3.15—Sis Mirandy.
3.30—Russell Brown, baritone
3.45—Recorded Programme.
3.55—Press Radio News
4.00—Town Crier.
4.45—Little Orphan Annie.
5.15—Tarzan of the Apes.
5.30—Chic Scoggin's Orchestra.
5.45—Krausmeyer and Cohen.
6.00—Bing Crosby, Boswell Sisters.
6.30—Isham Jones Orchestra.
7.00—Caravan, Walter O'Keefe
7.30—The Ridge Roamers.
7.45—Origin of Superstition.
8.00—Myrt and Marge.
8.15—Mirth Parade.
8.30—Henry Busse's Orchestra
8.45—Bill Post, baritone.
10.00—Clyde Lucas's Orchestra.
9.15—Smoke Rings.
9.45—Leon Navarro and his orchestra.
10.00—Everett Hoagland and his orchestra.
10.15—Fred Skinner, song stylist.
10.30—Orville Knapp and his orchestra.

Wednesday

7.00—Press Radio News
7.05—Broadcasters' Review.
8.00—Informal Music.
8.15—Good Morning Judge.
8.30—Ruth Clarke Evans.
8.45—Jane Ellison, magic recipes.
9.00—Voice of Experience.
9.15—The Gumps.
9.30—Jennie Lee.
9.45—Fish Tales.
10.00—George Hall and his orchestra.
10.15—Recorded Programme.
10.30—Benjamin Moore Triangle Club.
10.45—Mrs. Chapman at Home.
11.00—Marie, Little French Princess
11.15—Romance of Helen Trent.
11.30—Salon Musicale.
12.00—Kate Smith's Matinee Hour.
1.00—Payroll Builder.
2.00—Men of Notes.
2.15—Dental Clinic of the Air.
2.30—Congress of Parent-Teachers.
2.45—Patti Chapin.
3.00—Songs of Long Ago.

SHORT WAVE

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GSB, 31.55 Metres
GSA, 49.59 Metres.

Christmas Day (Victoria Time)

10.00—Big Ben. The News.
10.15—Rebroadcast of "Empire Exchange", A Programme from the Empire in Celebration of Christmas, 1934. The King from Sandringham.
11.15—The Central Band of His Majesty's Royal Air Force.
11.30—Christmas Party.
1.30—Talk, "Unusual Christmases," Vice-Admiral T. J. Hallett, C.B., C.B.E.
1.45—Dance Music.
2.00—The News.

Wednesday

10.00—Big Ben. The News.
10.15—Ballads.
10.30—The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra, directed by Henry Hall.
11.30—Grand Christmas attraction—Dick Francis and Leonard Henry as Mr. and Mrs. Bluebeard.
12.45—A Recital by Suggia (violoncello) and Kate Winter (soprano).
1.30—Sports Talk.
1.30—Dance Music.
2.00—The News.

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The Night Before Christmas

'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house
Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse:
The stockings were hung by the chimney with care,
In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there;
The children were nestled all snug in their beds,
While visions of sugar-plums danced in their heads;
And mamma in her 'kerchief, and I in my cap,
Had just settled our brains for a long winter's nap,
When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter,
I sprang from the bed to see what was the matter.
Away to the window I flew like a flash,
Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash.
The moon on the breast of the new-fallen snow
Gave the lustre of mid-day to objects below,
When, what to my wondering eyes should appear,
But a miniature sleigh, and eight tiny reindeer,
With a little old driver, so lively and quick,
I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick.
More rapid than eagles his coursers they came,
And he whistled, and shouted, and called them by name:
"Now, *Dasher!* Now, *Dancer!* Now, *Prancer* and *Vixen!*
On, *Comet!* On, *Cupid!* On, *Donder* and *Blitzen!*
To the top of the porch! To the top of the wall!
Now dash away! Dash away! Dash away all!"
As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly,
When they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky,
So up to the house-top the coursers they flew,
With the sleigh full of toys, and St. Nicholas too.
And then, in a twinkling, I heard on the roof
The prancing and pawing of each little hoof.

As I drew in my head, and was turning around,
Down the chimney St. Nicholas came with a bound.
He was dressed all in fur, from his head to his foot,
And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot;
A bundle of toys he had flung on his back,
And he looked like a peddler just opening his pack.
His eyes—how they twinkled! His dimples how merry!
His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry!
His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow,
And the beard of his chin was as white as the snow;
The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth,
And the smoke it encircled his head like a wreath;
He had a broad face and a little round belly,
That shook, when he laughed, like a bowlful of jelly.
He was chubby and plump, a right jolly old elf,
And I laughed when I saw him, in spite of myself;
A wink of his eye and a twist of his head,
Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread;
He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work,
And filled all the stockings; then turned with a jerk,
And laying his finger aside of his nose,
And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose,
He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle,
And away they all flew like the down of a thistle.
But I heard him exclaim, ere he drove out of sight,
"*Happy Christmas to all, and to all a good-night.*"

—C. C. MOORE.

The Management and Staff of "The Bay" Wish Everyone

A Right Merry Christmas

And Hope That 1935 May Bring a Full Measure of Good Health, Happiness and Prosperity

SHIPS FIRST GOLD BRICK

Vancouver, Dec. 22 (Canadian Press)—Island Mountain Mine, near Wells, B.C., has been added to the list of British Columbia gold producers with shipment of the first brick, valued at approximately $24,000, to Ottawa, Manager M. B. Banghart has reported.

MAN AND WIFE DIE

Pitchberg, Mass., Dec. 24 (Associated Press) — Death yesterday separated Mr. and Mrs. George Bersevein, natives of St. Martin, Que., for but half an hour to-day. Rosanna Bersevein, fifty-seven, died at her home here from the shock of learning that her sixty-three-year-old husband had died at the Burbank hospital thirty minutes before. In both instances death was attributed to heart disease.

FOUND AFTER WANDERINGS

Edmonton, Dec. 24 (Canadian Press)—Alexander Cole, eighty-year-old inmate of a Roman Catholic hostel here, who wandered away from the institution in zero weather last Friday lightly clad, was found in a downtown hotel. He has not been returned to the hostel.

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Victoria Daily Times

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Announcements

BORN

FARNDON—At Jubilee Hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Farndon, 887 Cloverdale Avenue, on December 20, a daughter.

MARRIAGES

SIMPSON-CLARK—At St. Mary's Church, Metchosin, Victoria, B.C., on December 22, by Rev. H. M. Bolton, assisted by Rev. Canon A. E. deL. Nunns, James Ian Simpson of Victoria to Florence Gerrard, daughter of Mrs. Clark and the late Dr. James Clark of Tatamagouche, Nova Scotia.

DIED

SAVAGE—On Wednesday, December 19, at the family residence, 78 Logan Avenue, Mary Elizabeth Savage, aged seventy-three years, wife of Henry G. Savage. The late Mrs. Savage was born in Northampton, England, and had resided here for seventeen years. She is survived by her husband; four sons, George H. of Duncan, B.C.; Edwin J. and John K. of Los Angeles; Albert Edward of Vancouver; two daughters, Mrs. James Duncan of Victoria and Mrs. F. Wise of Vancouver.
The funeral will take place on Sunday afternoon, at 2.30 o'clock, from McCall Bros.' Funeral Home. Canon H. W. G. Stocken will conduct the service, after which interment will be in Colwood Burial Park.

CURTIS—At the Royal Jubilee Hospital, on Saturday, December 22, Henry Curtis, aged seventy-seven years, of 410 Parry Street. The late Mr. Curtis was born in Simcoe County, Ontario, and had been a resident of this city for the last twenty-five years. He is mourned by two sons, Graham, in Owen Sound, and Jack, in Montreal, and one daughter, Mrs. Evans, in Montreal.
The funeral will take place on Thursday afternoon from McCall Bros.' Funeral Home, at 2 o'clock. Interment will be in Royal Oak Burial Park.

PRENTICE—On December 23, at the residence of her son, 2825 Dewdney Avenue, Alice Martin, widow of Oliver George Prentice, aged seventy-four years; born in Cambridge, England, and a resident of this city for sixteen years. She leaves to mourn her loss one son, Oliver M. Prentice, Victoria, and one sister, Mrs. Edwin W. Evans, Riverton, N.J.
The remains are reposing at Hayward's B.C. Funeral Chapel, and the funeral will take place on Thursday, December 27, the cortege leaving the chapel at 2 p.m., proceeding to St. Mark's Church, Boleskine Road, where Rev. O. L. Jull will take the service at 2.15 o'clock. Interment in the family plot in Royal Oak Burial Park.

CARD OF THANKS

Mrs. J. Webber and family wish to take this opportunity to thank their many friends for their visits and kind words to the late Capt. John Webber, in his lingering illness; also Dr. Kincaid and nurses of the Jubilee Hospital; Dr. Kennings and Dr. Endicott for their untiring efforts, and Major and Mrs. Fullerton and Adjutant and Mrs. Ede of the Salvation Army for their visits and comforting words.

CARD OF THANKS

Mrs. E. Millington and family thank their many kind friends, also Victoria Lodge No. 1, I.O.O.F.; Court Vancouver Lodge No. 5755, A.O.F., and Colfax Rebekah Lodge No. 1, I.O.O.F., for their sympathy and beautiful floral offerings in the loss of a loving husband and father; also Dr. A. E. McMicking for his kindness and untiring attention.

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9 MONUMENTAL WORKS

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10 Coming Events

A BIG CANADIAN OLD-TIME SATURday night dance, December 22, Lake Hill Community Centre, 8 to 12; Irving's orchestra, with Scotty McKenzie, M.C.; 25c, including supper. Bus at 12. Take this night off and have a real time.

A BIGGER AND BETTER ESSBCEE New Year's Eve dance, Mount View High, Carey Road, Jack Carter's orchestra; 9 on; $1 couple. Refreshments, novelties and favors. 3541-10-153

A BIGGER AND BETTER W.R.A.C. dance and basketball games, Friday, December 28, at West Road Hall. Dancing, 9-? Refreshments. Admission 25c

A BIG NIGHT AT LUXTON, NEW Year's Eve frolic; Cross' orchestra; novelties, favors. Whoopee! Big time! 9-? Admission 50c. 3605-2-148

A SPECIAL OLD-TIME DANCE, ROYAL Oak Hall, December 28, 9-1 o'clock; "Red" Barker's orchestra. All the frills and fun of New Year's; prize dances, etc. 35c. 3620-5-151

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL, DEcember 25, sponsored by the "Pied Pipers." Novelties! Favors! Free turkey tombolas! Shrine Auditorium, Christmas night. Fred Pitt's orchestra; 9-1. Admission 35c. 1597-4-148

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BOXING DAY DANCE, REX THEATRE, Esquimalt; auspices of Hillcrest Badminton Club; Wednesday, December 26; 35c; refreshments. 1564-1-148

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DANSE—MONDAY, 9 TO 12 P.M., SALISbury's four-piece orchestra, W.E.L. Hall, 608½ Cormorant St. Admission 10c.

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J.B.A.A. BOXING NIGHT DANCE, CLUB House, Wednesday, December 26, 9.30 p.m.; Gus Michaux's orchestra; refreshments, etc.; 35c. 3636-2-149

K. AND D. OF THE THISTLE, REGULAR meeting, Friday, December 28, 8 o'clock. Election of officers. 3639-1-148

LOOK! PARTNER WHIST, SONS OF Canada, Hatt's Hall, 1414 Douglas, Wednesday, December 26, 8.45 p.m. Two $5, two $3, two $2 and specials. Admission 25c. 3637-2-149

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ST. ANDREW'S AND CALEDONIAN SOciety will hold another of their popular dances on Friday, December 28, A.O.F. Hall, 8.30; admission 25c; refreshments. 3612-4-151

UNITED SERVICE LODGE NO. 24—A New Year's Eve dance will be held at the Masonic Hall, Esquimalt; dancing, 9 to 1; Bertucci's orchestra; refreshments; novelties. Tickets 50c. 3584-2-148

VARSITY BALL, EMPRESS HOTEL, Thursday, January 3; Len Acres' orchestra; 9-1; tickets, $1. 3304-26-3

11 LOST AND FOUND

LOST — LADY'S GOLD WATCH WITH engravings and bracelet, in Gordon Head district. Finder please phone E3972. Reward. tf

LOST — GENTLEMAN'S PHOTOGRAPH, by Savannah. Finder please phone E1786. 3625-2-148

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LOST—NAVY BLUE PURSE, BETWEEN Esquimalt Municipal Hall and Coach and Horses, Friday night. Money and valuable papers. E8557. Reward. 3628-3-150

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17 MISCELLANEOUS

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18 Personal

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NEW EVIDENCE GIVEN ON COLDS

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 24.—Evidence that infective germs expelled by a person's coughing and sneezing may remain alive in the air for many hours was made public to-day by Harvard scientists.

William F. Wells and Wyman R. Stone said they had produced evidence that minute droplets expelled by a person in coughing, sneezing or talking, do not fall to the floor immediately but evaporate and may leave behind infective germs which drift about for hours.

JORDAN RIVER

The annual Christmas concert was held in the B.C.E.R. Company's Social Hall on Thursday evening. Miss M. Hodgson, school teacher, was in charge of the arrangements, and the programme included Christmas carols, recitations, songs, dances and three short plays. After the concert Santa Claus arrived and each child received a suitable gift and a bag of candies, nuts and fruit. A number of games were played.

Mrs. R. G. Gordon is staying in Vancouver with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. C. Lindner.

C. Martinson has returned from Port Renfrew.

Mrs. D. I. Walker spent a few days with relatives in Victoria last week.

"GOVERNMENT LIQUOR ACT"
(Section 27)

Notice of Application for Consent to Transfer of Beer License

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, on the 31st day of December next, the undersigned intends to apply to the Liquor Control Board for consent to transfer of Beer License No. 2004, issued in respect of premises being part of a building known as Buena Vista Hotel, situate at Cowichan Bay, upon the lands described as Lots Nos. 8 and 9, in Block "N," of Section 6, Range 4, Cowichan District, Amended Plan No. 79, Victoria Land Registration District, in the Province of British Columbia, from Walter Grant Fanning to Frederick Saunders of Buena Vista Hotel, Cowichan Bay, British Columbia, the transferee.

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"JANE EYRE" AT THE PLAYHOUSE

Virginia Bruce and Colin Clive Star; "Ladies Should Listen" Also Showing

A new style of interior decoration, which is used in "Ladies Should Listen," the Paramount film coming to the Playhouse Theatre to-day, will make its appearance to vie for popular favor with the prevalent fad of International Modernism.

Through the necessity of having to build up a character by his surroundings, Hans Dreier, art director at the Paramount studios, designed and built a suite of rooms for the film in what he calls modern rococo style.

In these rooms, the flowery ornamentation of the eighteenth century France blends with the sophisticated simplicity of the ultra-modern. In color, design and choice of furniture, this set was first conceived as a reflection of the character which Cary Grant plays in the picture.

Being shown as the second feature are Virginia Bruce and Colin Cline in "Jane Eyre."

P.O. SERVICES

On Christmas Day all wickets in the post office will be closed and the lobby will be open from 8 a.m. to 12 noon only.

All mails due to be dispatched in the afternoon will be close at 12 noon, but the evening mails will be dispatched as usual.

Only the evening collection of street letter boxes will be made.

There will be no deliveries by letter carriers or by rural mail couriers.

As Boxing Day is not a Dominion holiday, post office service will be as on ordinary week days.

Strawberry Vale

St. Columba Women's auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. F. Deane-Cox, Burnside Road, on Tuesday afternoon. The routine business was conducted by Mrs. Mayfield, president.

The secretary reported that all objects for the year had been met and a small balance left with which to dispense Christmas cheer. Four junior women's auxiliary pins had been donated by the senior branch to girls meriting them.

The auxiliary will sponsor a Sunday school tea, followed by a series of moving pictures, which will be held on Tuesday evening, January 8, commencing at 8 o'clock. Proceeds to go toward the church funds.

Nomination of officers were as follows: Honorary president, Mrs. Veales; president, Mrs. Rogers; vice-president, Mrs. H. Huntington; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. W. M. Foster; "Living Message" secretary, Miss Brown; social service secretary, Mrs. W. M. Foster; Dorcas secretary, Mrs. F. Comley; extra cents secretary, Mrs. Deane-Cox; prayer partner, Mrs. Veales; thank offering secretary, Mrs. G. Gilham; junior women's auxiliary, Miss D. Hills.

Two delegates, Mrs. W. M. Foster, and Miss Brown, were elected to attend the diocesan board.

The annual meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Veales, Jasmine Avenue, Tuesday afternoon, January 22.

Students of the Strawberry Vale Public School held their closing ceremonies on Friday afternoon. Carols were sung and gifts from the various trees were distributed. During the afternoon the pupils presented their principal, Mr. Love, who is to be married shortly, with a handsome electric mantel clock.

Military Activities

A COMPANY, 11th MACHINE GUN BN., C.M.G.C.

Duties—Orderly officer for week ending December 29, Second Lieut. H. Buss; orderly officer next for duty, Second Lieut. A. B. Gray.

Orderly sergeant for week ending December 29, L.Sergt. C. G. White; December 29, L.-Sergt. J. Akins.

The evenings allotted to this company for training for the ensuing two weeks coinciding with Christmas Day and New Year's Day, there will be no parade for training until Tuesday, January 8. The company will parade at 8 p.m. on that date. Dress: Drill order.

Training on Tuesday, January 8, will be in accordance with the syllabus posted on the company notice board.

The commanding officer, Major R. H. W. Clowes, expresses his appreciation to all ranks for their conscientious work throughout the year, and extends to all members of the battalion his best wishes for a happy Christmas and prosperous New Year.

The undermentioned has been taken on the strength and posted to A company, with effect from the date stated: Pte. J. F. Lamport, with effect October 9, 1934; (authorized battalion order No. 16, December 19, 1934).

NO. 13 FIELD AMBULANCE, C.A.M.C.

Owing to the holiday season, there will be no parades until Tuesday, January 8. The commanding officer, Lieut.-Col. M. W. Thomas, extends to all ranks the season's greetings and his thanks for their active co-operation during the last year.

LADYSMITH

Ladysmith, Dec. 24.—A card party and dance was held in the Native Sons' Hall Wednesday evening in aid of the Christmas cheer fund. Twelve tables were in play and the prizes were won by: Ladies' first, Mr. W. Sanderson; second, Mrs. W. W. Walkem; gentlemen's first, G. Harrison; second, R. P. Battie. Following the games dancing was enjoyed.

Mrs. E. R. Cull entertained the members of the Ladysmith Bridge Club Wednesday evening. Prizes were won by Mrs. F. Vandecasteyen and Mrs. J. Herlinveaux. At the conclusion of the games refreshments were served.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Burns Club met at the home of Mrs. A. Padford Wednesday evening. Following business routine cards were enjoyed and prizes won by Mrs. M. Gaffney and Mrs. E. Mahaffey.

Mrs. M. Kulai has returned to her home after spending a few days in Vancouver.

H. Lowe, Vancouver, is spending the Christmas and New Year holiday with his parents here.

Where To Go To-night
As Advertised

Capitol—Warner Oland in "Charlie Chan in London."
Columbia—Buck Jones in "Rocky Rhodes."
Dominion—"Marie Galante," starring Kettl Gallian.
Playhouse—"Ladies Should Listen" starring Cary Grant.
Crystal Garden—Swimming.

VIENNA CHOIR HERE SHORTLY

It must not be supposed that the singing boys of Vienna, ranging in ages from eight to fifteen years, are an amateur organization. Their long history presupposes, of coures, a vigorous training in the traditions established when the organization was formed by the Emperor Maximilian in 1498.

These singing boys are recruited from the working classes, and before they can enroll in the organization, which is equivalent to a school, they must pass spartain examinations as to their scholastic ability and musical talents. Their number in Vienna has been limited to forty. Pitts Sanburn, critic of the New York World-Telegram, wrote of the performance of Mozart's "Bastien et Bastienne."

"The children, in wigs and costumes of the rococo period, acted and sang the little work in a very engaging manner. The unnamed youngster in red, who played the magician Colas, is already a skilful actor."

The Vienna boys will appear at the Empire Theatre in two performances on January 3.

Scottish Players Here on Wednesday

The Scottish Musical Players, whose appearance in Victoria a year ago attracted such interest, will return for a five-days' engagement commencing Wednesday. They will give two entirely new plays, in addition to repeating such international favorites as "The Bonnie Brier Bush," and "The Cotter's Saturday Night."

The company will open with a matinee on Boxing Day with "Bonnie Prince Charlie," the story of the young chevalier who came to regain the throne of the Stuarts, and the comely Highland lass, Flora Macdonald, who assisted him in his escape after defeat.

"A Highland Romance," will be given at the Saturday matinee. Mary McMahon, dramatic soprano, will be seen in her usual parts, and will play the role of the beautiful Flora Macdonald in "Bonnie Prince Charlie."

SOOKE

Charter's Hall was filled to capacity [illegible] Christmas tree entertainment provided by the Sooke Superior School. The decorations consisted of evergreens and red streamers. Charles Thompson acted as chairman. The programme consisted of various items arranged by the teachers and put on by pupils of the different grades, as follows: Song by the school, "Welcome Christmas Morn"; Christmas acrostic, Joyce Baker, Florence Syrett, Edna Pontious, Norma Stoltk, Mary Hansen, Doreen Dever, May Duncan, Alan Harwood, Lloyd Hansen, Ward Baker, Frank Planes, Bruce Baker, Henry Hansen and Pat Forrest; play, "Christmas at Finnegan's Flat," in three acts, characters, Jim Arden, Jim Pontious, Elmo Geddes, Dennis Yates, Vernon Russel, Gladys Clark, Gladys Brown, Doreen Russel, Helen Welsh, Billie Duncan, John Syrett, Stanley Cains, Louis Planes, Edwin Pontious, Irene Gettle and Jimmy Harwood; nigger boys, Dick Cains, Frank Richardson, Victor Syrett, Wilfred Strong, Richard Greenwood, Pat Welsh, Elmer Stoltk, Charlie Syrett, Teddy Dever and Donald Pontious; witches, Mary Greenwood, Alice Planes, Betty Brown, Eleanor Stoltk, Doris Thompson, Jean Duncan and Muriel Gettle; star drill, Nan Seymour, Marjory Harwood, Nora Baker, Cicely Charters, Norma Stoltk, Mary Hansen and Norma Baskerville; closing song by the school, "Santa Claus Is Coming." Miss Helen Welsh acted as accompanist and Leonard Muir was in charge of the lighting arrangements. At the close of the concert, Santa Claus arrived and distributed a present, candy and oranges to the younger children. Refreshments were served and games were played.

JOE PENNER COMING HERE

A gorgeous medley of girls, music, comedy and stirring football scenes feature Paramount's "College Rhythm!" The film opens Wednesday at the Capitol Theatre, with Joe Penner, America's favorite radio star, heading the cast in his first feature length picture.

Supported by a magnificent cast, which includes Lanny Ross, Jack Oakie, Helen Mack, Lyda Roberti and Mary Brian, "College Rhythm" introduces Penner to the film public in a hilarious story of deadly college rivals, the football star and the piccolo player, who finally agree by disagreeing and falling in love with different girls.

"Kid Millions" For Late Show

An Eddie Cantor more at home than ever on the screen in his fifth annual frolic comes to the Capitol Theatre for the midnight show tomorrow in "Kid Millions," a roving and rambling tale of adventure in search of buried treasure in Egypt.

Samuel Goldwyn has built around his banjo-eyed clown the usual opulence in setting, maids and melody. A hundred of the gorgeous Goldwyn girls sing and dance and cavort with Eddie in the shadow of the Pyramids.

Buck Jones at The Columbia

While Stanley Fields has made his mark as a villain on stage and screen, the famous "heavy" player has now turned comedian in "Rocky Rhodes," starring Buck Jones, which is now playing at the Columbia Theatre. His role of "Harp" Haverty, the Chicago near-gangster gone cowboy, is a gem of comedy and he plays it for all it is worth.

Kitsilano Band Here This Week

The Vancouver Kitsilano Boys' Band will visit Victoria this week for several concert-engagements at the Empire Theatre, according to an announcement this morning from Ralphe Calladine, manager of the Empire.

Champions at the Chicago World's Fair in 1933, Pacific Northwest champions for the last four years; Canadian champions, Toronto, 1931, the boys have added to their laurels this year by a tour of the British Isles, where the lads secured two first prizes and one second in competition [illegible] England's Bandsmen's Festival. Seattle was lifted off its feet two weeks ago by the marvellous playing of this really great band. The boys have many friends in Victoria who will be glad to see and hear them during the holiday week.

The boys will play for matinees and evening concerts on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Supporting the Kitsilano Boys on the Empire programme will be a splendid and wholesome screen entertainment. The picture, awarded four stars by the Liberty Magazine, "Here Comes the Navy," with James Cagney in the leading role.

Popular Comedians Will Appear Here

Laid in a realm where fierce feuds are as common as mammy songs, "Kentucky Kernels" brings Bert Wheeler and Robert Woolsey to the Dominion Theatre to-morrow in their newest comedy hit.

The popular pair are seen as two vaudeville magicians who become involved in a family feud when their ward inherits a vast Southern estate. Thus Wheeler and Woolsey inadvertently step into a busy feud with an opposing clan. When Wheeler falls in love with the daughter of the hostile leader of the enemy, Woolsey attempts to reconcile the foe. Then hilarious events are said to pyramid into a side-splitting climax.

To be shown as a second feature is "The Richest Girl in the World," a stirring romance in the golden palaces of the ultra-rich, some delightfully sugar-coated philosophy and a dash of sparkling comedy are skilfully mixed in this picture.

CAPITOL THEATRE

Warner Oland, star of "Charlie Chan in London," which is at the Capitol Theatre to-day, has been a successful actor all his life. But it was not until a few years ago, when he created the role of the smooth Chinese sleuth on the screen, that he acquired his greatest fame.

Apparently it was destined that Earl Derr Biggers should create an oriental detective who, through the pages of his novels, would win the public's fancy, and that Oland, who was born in Sweden, should so perfectly bring the shrewd, likeable Chan to life on the screen.

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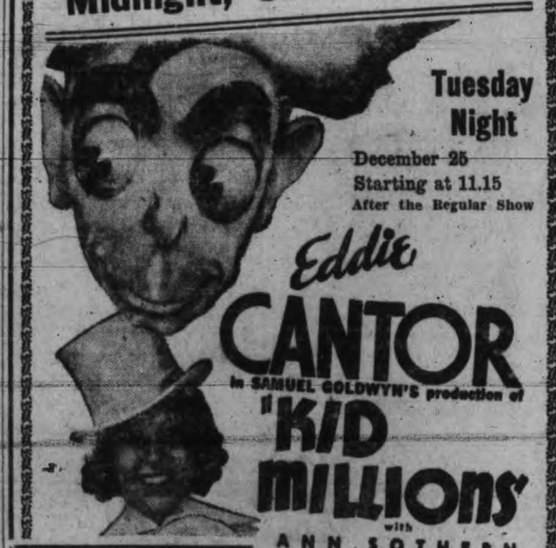

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FOUR DIE IN PLANE CRASH

Three Passengers and Pilot Found Dead in Mountains North of Elko, Nevada

Elko, Nev., Dec. 24.—A searching party reported to-day three [illegible] and their pilot, missing since yesterday afternoon, had all been found dead in the wreckage of the plane in Owyhee Canyon, north of here.

The plane, in which Floyd Delong, the pilot, was taking two girls and a boy to their homes at Mountain City, some ninety miles north of here near the Idaho border, disappeared in blinding snow and fog yesterday.

Delong's passengers were Donald Stinton, thirteen, and his sister, June, sixteen, children of a Mountain City cattleman, and Ruth Womack, thirteen, daughter of a Mountain City resort owner.

No trace of the plane was reported after it was believed to have been heard roaring through clouds of snow and fog above Gold Creek, an hour after it was due at Mountain City. Gold Creek is thirty miles off the course.

OTHER FLIGHT

Delong's plane left Elko at 12.45 p.m. yesterday ahead of another plane piloted by Lieutenant Newton Crumley, former army flier, in which the parents of the Stinton children, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Stinton, were passengers.

Lieut. Crumley went through to Mountain City. He reported no trace of the Delong plane had been seen.

The Stinton family was returning to its home after another airplane mission had failed to save the life of a son, Thomas Jewell, seventeen.

Lieut. Crumley brought the son, critically ill with pneumonia, to Elko last week so he could receive hospital care. He died and the Stintons were going home from the funeral here when the second tragedy came.

Thousand Jobless Visit Vancouver

Vancouver, Dec. 24.—Eight hundred men from relief camps, already in Vancouver, were reinforced to-day by 200 men from a camp at Coquitlam.

RAIL EXTENSION IS ADVOCATED

Edmonton, Dec. 24.—Extension of the northern Alberta railway line from the present terminus at Hines Creek, along the north side of the Peace River for a distance of 130 miles westward to serve a fertile area is advocated by Clive M. F. Planta, member for the Peace River constituency in the British Columbia Legislature, who arrived here Sunday from a trip through the northern riding. He left to-day to spend Christmas with his family at Vancouver, and attend the session opening next month at Victoria.

The proposed extension was the most needed development of the kind in the northwest, the member declared.

Dutch Princess May Soon Marry

Reported Juliana's Engagement to Duke of Mecklenburg Will Be Announced

London, Dec. 24.—A London Daily Express dispatch from Berlin to-day said the engagement of Juliana, crown princess of the Netherlands, and Grand Duke Fredrich Franz of Mecklenburg, would be announced in January, according to an authoritative source.

Because the court at Amsterdam is in mourning for the late Prince Consort, the story asserted, the announcement had been delayed.

NO STATEMENT

Amsterdam, Dec. 24.—Reports from London that the Netherlands is to get a New Year's surprise in the form of an announcement that its Princess Juliana is to marry the German Grand Duke Fredrich Franz met a stoney silence in official quarters today.

Those in position to know refused either to confirm or to deny the reports.

Russians Hold Japanese Officer

Lieutenant Held For Taking Photographs on Ussuri River in Siberia

Associated Press

Khabaraovsk, U.S.S.R., Dec. 24. — Lieut. Saidini of the Japanese army and a Manchurian sergeant were arrested yesterday at Verkneniokoloskoye, on the Ussuri River, while taking photographs. Both were turned over to the Soviet border guard for investigation.

A Soviet statement said typographical maps were found in the lieutenant's field bag.

Saidini said he had entered Soviet territory looking for a lost Japanese boy.

PLEADS GUILTY TO JAIL CHARGE

Canadian Press

Vancouver, Dec. 24.—James Grant, twenty-three, awaiting sentence for holding up a Bank of Montreal branch here December 17, pleaded guilty in police court to-day to a charge of escaping from lawful custody. He was remanded to Thursday for sentence.

Grant was reported by police to have escaped from the city jail December 14 by cutting his way through a steel corridor screen, sawing through the bars of a window, and lowering himself to the ground by means of a rope made from his cell blanket.

John Garvey, twenty-three, has also pleaded guilty to participation in the hold-up, in which $1,800 was stolen. Approximately $900 of the stolen money has been recovered.

Happy Christmas to All
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NEWS IN BRIEF

Magistrate George Jay was unable to attend the City Police Court this morning, owing to indisposition. James Forman, J.P., sat during a short session.

John M. MacVicar of Jordan River, died suddenly at his home on Saturday, according to a report from provincial police. The remains are at McCall Brothers' Funeral Home.

When he pleaded guilty to a charge of being intoxicated in a public place, James Bilsland was sentenced to twenty days' imprisonment by James Forman, J.P., in the City Police court this morning.

An excellent band concert was rendered by the Canadian Legion Band yesterday afternoon in the City Temple Auditorium. The programme consisted of many popular Christmas songs which were well received by the audience.

The holders of the following numbers will be awarded turkeys by the Veterans of France: 1064, 1074, 1077, 1508, 1311, 1139, 1209, 1134, 1427, 1022, 1456, 1040, 1312, 1351, 1534, 1550, 1325, 1030, 1422, 1354, 1544, 1348, 1264, 1178, 1411, 1405, 1053, 1363, 1494, 1423, 1329, 1466, 1200, 1400, 1491, 1206, 1083, 1386, 1432, 1379, 1258, 1262, 1431, 1492, 1278 and 1436.

As founder of the Sunshine Inn, with its record of hundreds of thousands of meals served to persons without means, Capt. B. J. Cadsden today issued hristmas greetings conveying to the public of Victoria and district goodwill and appreciation for the support they have given the institution during its years of operation.

Judge Lampman to-day ruled finally on the dispute between Mlle. Rejane Gauthier, former Canadian fancy skating champion, and her uncle, J. A. Gauthier of Victoria, over matters in connection with the operation of the roller skating rink established here by her last summer. The judge awarded the uncle $110 on his claim for the services of himself and family at the rink, and awarded the niece $5 on her counterclaim against him.

W. G. Smith Jr. gained his divorce from Alice Marie Scott Smith of Saanich in a decree absolute just ordered by Mr. Justice H. B. Robertson, following a trial in the Supreme Court. Other divorce decrees just signed by Mr. Justice Robertson include those in favor of Mary Louisa Franklin and Laura Mildred Gray, who have been granted divorces from their husbands.

Damage amounting to about $200 was caused to a sedan car and garage owned by J. C. Brinkman, Irma Street, by fire yesterday evening. The Saanich fire department was summoned at 7.15 o'clock after the flames had a strong hold. Neighbors smelt the smoke, but were unable to determine its source until the blaze broke through the garage.

After two months of intensive activity in the drive to raise funds for league activities, the Canadian Labor Defence League brought to a close a campaign which has occupied much of their time and energies, ending with a well-attended dance last Saturday at the K.P. Hall, at which twelve turkeys were given away. The following are the winning numbers: 216, 526, 745, 911, 1026, 1197, 1295, 1296, 1297, 1481, 1674, 1958.

The directors of the Victoria Welfare Foundation wish to convey to all friends and benefactors of Sunshine Inn, who by gift of money, goods, personal help, or by their interest have assisted its successful operation, their gratitude and best wishes for a pleasant Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year. The officers of the inn are as follows: F. E. Winslow, chairman; Mayor Leeming, Fred Landsberg, R. H. B. Ker and F. A. Lindsay, directors; Burges J. Gadsden, founder-manager, and G. A. A. Hebden, secretary-treasurer.

The Beaver Club Singers and the Hudson's Bay Players, all members of the Hudson's Bay store staff, will hold a cabaret party at the Crystal Garden on Thursday evening next. The Beaver Club Singers, under the direction of Cyril C. Warren, will render a programme of Christmas music, while the players intend to introduce some special novelty features. A six-piece orchestra will be in attendance for the whole of the evening. There will be dancing at the conclusion of the programme. The general public is invited to attend the party, tickets for which may be obtained from the cashier at the central desk, main floor, Hudson's Bay store.

MANY AT FUNERAL

Many friends attended the funeral on Sunday of Elzabeth Savage. Capt. C. F. L. Money and Major F. Coles represented the Army and Navy Veterans.

Canon H. W. G. Stocken conducted the service, during which the hymns "Rock of Ages" and "Our Blest Redeemer" were sung. Interment was in Colwood Burial Park, with the following friends as pallbearers: A. W. Evans, P. Shakespeare, W. McCrea, W. Calder, F. Baker and W. Liddiard.

M'GEER SEEKS CO-OPERATION

Mayor-elect of Vancouver Confers With Premier and Ministers

To cement bonds of co-operation between the Vancouver authorities and the provincial government, Mayor-elect G. G. McGeer, K.C., paid a brief visit to Victoria to-day.

At the Parliament Buildings this morning he conferred with Premier Pattullo, Hon. John Hart, Minister of Finance, and Hon. Gordon Sloan, Attorney-General. Mr. McGeer said afterwards he was delighted with the reception given him by Premier Pattullo and felt reasonably assured he would have all the co-operation possible from the provincial authorities when he takes over the reins in the terminal city next week.

Mr. McGeer said he felt that co-operation between all governing authorities was an essential in solving the problems facing each one of them.

The mayor-elect also conferred with Col. J. H. McMullin, superintendent of B.C. police, but whether this had anything to do with impending changes in the Vancouver police was not announced.

Many Visitors For Christmas

Over 150 People From Northwest Points Come For Holiday Festivities

Interest in the Victoria Christmas festivities in all sections of the Pacific northwest is shown in the large number of reservations made at the Empress Hotel by visitors for the celebration.

Up to to-day 156 reservations had been made by people from Portland, Seattle, Tacoma, Bellingham, Yakima, Olympia, Port Angeles, Vancouver and New Westminster, also from up-island points.

The visitors will participate in the festivities at the hotel to-morrow, when 1,000 people will sit down to eat their Christmas dinner and enjoy the Yuletide pageant.

H. F. Mathews, general manager of Canadian Pacific hotels, and Mrs. Mathews of Montreal, are staying over for Christmas.

C. E. Stockdill, assistant to the vice-president, C.P.R. western lines, accompanied by Mrs. Stockdill and their son, Dexter, reached the city this morning from Winnipeg.

Others here for the Christmas festivities include Dr. and Mrs. L. J. Fitzpatrick, Portland; G. F. Holman and party, Portland; Dr. and Mrs. Godfrey Stafford, Seattle, Miss Anne H. Thomas, Seattle Mr. and Mrs. Millis Briadley, Seattle; Miss Maude O'Brien, Seattle the Misses H. Eckholm, G. Eckholm, and Emma Larson, Seattle; Mrs. Julia Towe, Tacoma; Miss Annette Botesman, Seattle; Miss Mildred Snyder, Seattle; Mrs. V. O. Boone, Seattle; Mr. J. C. Hill, Seattle; the Misses Laura Marquardt, Margaret Johnston, Catherine Gross and Harriett Meredith, Seattle; Dr. Hannah C. Johnson and Miss Madge Gredon, Seattle; Miss Judith Breyere, Seattle Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Steiner, Seattle; Mr. and Mrs. Hal V. Bolam, Yakima, Wash.; Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Brockett, Seattle; Mrs. D. Laurie, Miss Helen Laurie, and Mrs. Anna Langdon, Seattle; Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Bellows and Miss S. K. Yeagley, Seattle; Capt. and Mrs. C. A. Kaiser, Port Angeles; Miss M. Brown, Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Mason Hurley, Shawnigan Lake; Miss A. W. Robinson, Vancouver; Mrs. Robert Crosby, with a party of of five, Vancouver; Miss G. Cornall, Vancouver; Mr. N. Fowler, Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. E. Matthews and son, Vancouver; Mr. John West and party of eight, Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Long, Vancouver; Mrs. L. Gutteridge, Vancouver; Mr. Ralph C. Rogers, Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Mills, New Westminster; Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Faulkner, New Westminster; Miss Emalie Frees, Olympia, Wash., and Dr. N. D. Showaller, Olympia, Wash.

Other hotels report Christmas visitors as follows:

Dominion—Dr. and Mrs. G. R. Galloway, Seattle; Mr. and Mrs. John McGregor, Seattle; D. E. Robinson, Hope, B.C.; G. C. Norman, Ocean Falls; J. Eastworth, Duncan.

Glenshiel — Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Burns, Seattle; T. F. Robson, Revelstoke; the Misses Jean and J. A. Morrice, Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Beaumont, Discovery Island; Mr. and Mrs. A. Simms, Vancouver.

Strathcona—Mrs. D. E. David, Seattle; Miss J. Rain, Shawnigan Lake.

LAST RITES FOR VETERANS

The funeral of George Hyne was held on Saturday afternoon and was attended by a large number of friends among whom were many members of the Naval Veterans and the Army and Navy Veterans. The service was conducted by K. Barrett. Interment was in Royal Oak Burial Park, with the following as pallbearers: S. Ruffell and W. Kirk representing the Naval Veterans, and W. Patterson, J. Richards, H. Woodford and J. Beckett.

THRONGS AT BETHLEHEM

Thousands of Different Denominations Attend Rites at Holy Spot

Associated Press

Bethlehem, Dec. 24.—Thousands of pilgrims, white and black and representing a score of denominations, poured into this little town in the Palestine hills to-day to observe the natal day nearly 2,000 years ago of Jesus Christ.

Many of these modern pilgrims came by automobile over the broad highway from Jerusalem, only eight miles away. It is a smoother and straighter road and the conveyances many times faster than those that were known in Herod's reign, when the woman of distant Nazareth and her carpenter-husband trudged to this little market town.

Both here and in Jerusalem tonight the air will resound to the singing of carols and ringing of bells as the age-old rites begin. The climax of services in many churches will be reached at midnight in the Church of the Nativity, built over the spot where the Holy child is believed to have been born.

THE CEREMONY

After a long mass, a procession of priests with swinging censers will take up their stand before a curtained niche in the transept. There the acting Latin Patriarch will draw aside the curtain, pick up the revealed figure of the Holy Child and conduct it to a grotto beneath the transept while the great congregation shouts "Hallelujahs."

The narrow grotto, hardly large enough for fifty persons to enter at one time, is accepted as the actual site of the manger where the Christ Child was born. Now winking candles light up the dark and all preparations have been made for the worshippers who will follow the priests there at midnight to kneel humbly and kiss the spot.

A religious fervor, becoming more distinct as night approaches, is the one mutual characteristic of the polyglot crowds swarming into Bethlehem.

Associated Press

Piru, Cal., Dec. 24. — Deputy sheriffs announced to-day, after a careful search of the Piru mountains region, that reports of an airplane crash in that vicinity were without foundation.

"AYE, FOLKS YOU WERE GR-R-R-AND" SAYS BOB SMITH NOW IT IS ALL OVER

His Caledonian bowler set rakishly on his head, Bob Smith smiles at the world at the close of the campaign successfully staged by the Gyro Club to give Christmas hampers to the city's needy. It was Bob's voice that went over the air from Radio Station CFCT to make appeals throughout the drive.

Help To Fill Gyro Hampers

Donations to the Gyro Christmas Hamper Fund continue to pour in. There are, however, several promised gifts still outstanding. Harold Butteris, manager of the drive, appeals to all who may have made such offers to fulfil them as soon as possible. The latest list of donations, issued this morning by Mr. Butteris, reads as follows:

Already acknowledged	$3,075.40
Mr. and Mrs. Thorburn	5.00
G. N. Shepard	5.00
Sale of a pudding	1.00
Dowell's Cartage	10.00
Mary and Jimmy McKeachie	2.00
Buddy	1.00
Janitor and Carpenter, Parliament Buildings	7.00
Cunningham	1.00
Sinnott and Tyle	2.00
Div. 1, Girls' Central	2.27
Merle Bickford	.50
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Swetman	2.00
Joyce Delahay	2.00
A Friend	1.00
G. H. Sedger	5.00
G. H. Sedger	2.50
Hudson Bay Driver	1.00
Victoria West Girl	2.00
Muriel Thomson	2.00
Mrs. F. P. Beckett	1.00
Miss Smith	2.00
Mrs. F. B. Shore	1.00
M. E. Cassidy	2.00
P. A. Gibbs	2.00
Mrs. Murray	5.00
Mrs. Ellery	2.00
Mr. Robinson	1.50
Victoria Lyle	1.00
A. Mafison	2.00
Lotta Help	1.50
K. Vivienne Wheadon	2.00
Victoria and District Israel Association	5.00
Constance Sheffield	2.00
Sooke Harbor Fishing and Pkg.	10.00
Miss E. Robertson	2.00
Fletcher Bros.' Music Store	15.00
M.	2.00
Kirk Coal Co.	10.75
Dr. and Mrs. Tanner	5.00
Mrs. Bird	.50
Mrs. Robinson	5.00
A Friend	1.00
Office Staff, Plimley & Ritchie	2.50
James Island School Children	2.77
B. Murdoch	3.00
Mrs. J. B. Tentz	2.00
Mr. and Mrs. A. Ross	5.00
A Good Man	5.00
Theatre Committee	199.00
An Unemployed	1.00
Frank Price	2.00
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Wm. C. A. Steele	5.00
George Merrick and Lorne Symons	3.00
Davis Drake Motors	10.00
L. and J. Stalker	2.00
P. Fitzsimmons	2.00
C. E. Whittaker	35.00
Kathleen Sheret	5.00
Mrs. W. J. Pendray	25.00
British American Paint Co.	50.00
Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Shaw	5.00
Mr. Webb	3.00
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Jack and Olive Smith	1.00
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Misses G. Burnett and W. Inglis	2.00
Louis Nelson's Garage	5.00
Jack Day	10.00
Nellie and Georgia	.50
Bert Coles	2.50
Janitor and Carpenter	1.00
Staff of Bank of Montreal	7.50
Mrs. Holmes-Falkland	2.00
J. L., Victoria	2.50
A. H. Ford	1.00
W. W.	2.00
Fred Pearce's Friends	5.00
C. H. Strutt	10.00
Public Service Veterans	10.00
Friend of Fred Pearce	2.00
W. B.	2.50
A Friend	15.00
St. Andrew's and Caledonian Forester's Hall	10.00
Mr. Charlewood	2.00
A. A.	2.00
Friend	5.00
Margaret Rome	2.00
Proceeds of sale	11.50
Jack Ozard	1.00
Mr. Hoy	1.00
C. E. Whittaker	10.00
Angus Campbell Employees	14.25
Angus Campbell and Company	10.00
Barbara Anne	2.00
Mr. Warten	5.00
Miss P. Hadfield	3.00
Ladies Auxiliary of Y.W.C.A.	3.50
Jimmie Watt	1.00
Mrs. W. Harkness	1.00
A Nurse who is working	.50
Mrs. R. Felton	2.00
H. Scharff	4.00
A Wee Boy	1.00
Amos and Andy	2.50
K. White	1.00
G. P. Black	5.00
Albert, Ethel and Bobby	1.00
Mrs. Corneford	1.00
Evelyn Pendray	1.00
Phil Taylor	3.00
Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Lanning	1.00
Lorna Tait	1.00
Master Stuart Kenning	5.00
J. D. Virtue	10.00
Total to date	$3,936.21

MRS. PRENTICE PASSES AWAY

Was For Many Years Active Worker in St. Mark's W.A.

Mrs. Alice Martin Prentice, widow of Oliver G. Prentice, passed away yesterday at the home of her son, 2825 Dewdney Avenue, aged seventy-four years. Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon, the cortege leaving Hayward's B.C. Funeral Chapel at 2 o'clock for St. Mark's Church, Boleskine Road, where Rev. O. L. Juli will conduct services at 2.15 o'clock. Interment will be in the family plot in Royal Oak Burial Park.

Mrs. Prentice was born in Cambridge, England, and is survived by one son, Oliver M., with whom she resided, and one sister, Mrs. Edwin W. Evans, in Riverton, New Jersey.

The news of Mrs. Prentice's sudden passing will come as a severe shock to a wide circle of friends. For nearly a quarter of a century she had been an energetic worker in St. Mark's parish in which she resided until recently. Her sunny helpful disposition endeared her in the hearts of all who knew her, and St. Mark's Church and Women's Auxiliary will be the poorer by the loss of a kindly, benevolent worker, who was ever willing to offer a helping hand to others.

Although in recent years she had not been able to throw herself into church activities with the same energy as she at one time did she retained the close friendships won by her life of unselfishness and thoughtfulness for others.

Besides her interest in church work she followed public affairs generally with a keen interest both in Victoria and other cities in which she had lived before coming to British Columbia.

DECIDE DEATH WAS ACCIDENT

Accidental death was the verdict of the coroner's jury which this morning investigated circumstances surrounding the death of Francis H. Randolph, 615 St. Charles Street, who died in the Jubilee Hospital on Saturday. Mr. Randolph succumbed to injuries sustained in an accident last Monday in "The Dardanelles."

Mr. Randolph was struck by a car driven by Calvert Richards, as he was walking across Fort Street. The inquest was held at Sands Mortuary. He sustained head injuries and a fracture of the left leg. He was seventy-three years old.

Funeral services were held this afternoon.

Pensioners Get Yuletide Cheque

War pensioners in Victoria got a pleasant Christmas surprise this morning. Their cheques which usually arrive at the end of the month arrived to-day instead. Accompanying the cheque was a friendly note of Christmas greeting stating that a special order-in-council had been passed to make it possible to mail the cheques earlier. "In doing so the Minister of Pensions and National Health and members of the Canadian Pension Commission and their staff hope it will be of assistance to you at this season, and send you their best wishes for a happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year," the greeting said.

PAY LAST TRIBUTE

There was a large congregation of sorrowing friends at the funeral service Saturday afternoon for Mrs. Eagle, who passed away on December 19 at her home, 234 Battleford Avenue. Rev. W. E. Daly conducted the very impressive service, during which the hymns, "Abide With Me" and "Peace, Perfect Peace," were sung. The casket was covered with many beautiful floral tribute. The following were pallbearers: J. Whittle and L. Fletcher, representing the Ancient Order of Foresters; J. Neilson, L. W. Johnson, J. H. Langford and F. Johnson. The remains were laid at rest in the Royal Oak Burial Park.

The newsroom staff of The Times wishes to acknowledge Christmas gifts of cigars, cigarettes and chocolates from George I. Warren, Alderman John Worthington, H. Anscomb, M.P.P., Chief Heatley and Alan Chambers.

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WAR VETERAN BURIED

The funeral of John Smith, war veteran, who passed away at the Royal Jubilee Hospital on December 19, was held Saturday afternoon. Relatives and many friends attended the very impressive service, which was conducted by Rev. F. W. McKinnon. The casket, draped with the Union Jack, was covered with many beautiful floral tokens, which testified to the high esteem in which the late Mr. Smith was held.

The hymns sung were "Rock of Ages" and "Nearer, My God, to Thee." The pallbearers were G. Copping, S. Taylor, E. Murphy and A. Braidwood. The remains were laid at rest in Colwood Burial Park.

Overnight Entries For Santa Anita

First race—Seven furlongs: Green Flame 92, Gateway 108, Little Son 118, Quick Flight 109, Prince Heather 118, Las Palmas 109, Kent 95, Bon Amour 104.

Second race—Mile and one-sixteenth: Red Mountain 110, Eighth Pole 107, Carveza 110, Monks First 110, Zevar 110, Lazy Canter 110, Swift Return 107, Moon Rose 104, Sunny Bob 110, Morpheus 110, Donday 110, Let Her Play 107.

Third race—Six furlongs: Hardatit 110, Sickle Bill 112, Fading Light 104, Hope Loring 101, Magneta 103, Poco Diablo 109, Vanita 101, Enelia 112, Bugaboo 107, Merced Chief 110.

Fourth race—Six furlongs: Croon 104, Mr. Joe 95, Red Wagon 114, Laughin Queen 106, Ima Count 110.

Fifth race—One mile: Mr. Bun 108, Miss Purray 107, Whippercracker 115, Adobe Post 110, Royal Leon 108, Help Yourself 111, Chief Almgren 110, Burning Up 106.

Sixth race—One mile; $5,000 added Christmas Handicap: Time Supply 126, Head Play 117, Riskulus 110, Top Row 109, High Glee 106, Frank Ormont 107, Dark Winter 107, Bonny Grafton 104, Wacoche 103, Chictopey 102, Navanod 101, Fleam 100, Mad Frump 101, Semaphore 103, Trombone 102.

Seventh race — Six furlongs: Barcarolle 98, Persadventure 114, Whiskolo 104, Marmara 104, Lois Pan 102, Toro Flight 104, Polish Beau 116, Blue Beard 110, San Luis Rey 106, Happy Helen 103.

Eighth race — One mile and one-sixteenth: Golden Words 108, Rowdy Boy 100, Trevallion 102, New Sun 106, Primute 106, Prumper 112, Durango 108, Gramarye 97, Euryalous 100, Beeson 112, Rock Point 108, Seth's Pride 108.

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CHURCH'S GREAT TASK OUTLINED

Canadian Press

Toronto, Dec. 24.—Stress on the church's great task during present times and an appeal for greater concentration on "the central truth of religion" came to-day from Archbishop Derwyn T. Owen, Primate of the Church of England in Canada, in a Christmas message to Anglicans throughout the Dominion. Christmas time, he said, was the period when people came to "grips" with the doctrine of God.

"Amid joys and memories, festivities and reunions of this time, pause and consider God and something of the immense implications of Christmas in this realm of the being and nature of God," the Archbishop said.

Toronto, Dec. 24 (Canadian Press). Dr. John Roderick McGregor, prominent Elora, Ont., physician, died suddenly while visiting friends here Saturday evening. A prominent sportsman, Dr. McGregor was born in Cheltenham, Ont., in 1876 and skipped the rink of Elora bowlers to the Walker Trophy and Canadian championship at Vancouver in 1907.

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Montreal Canadiens Come To Life In Major Hockey Race

THE SPORTS MIRROR

IT IS WITH a feeling of apprehension that one scans Buddy Baer's record and bookings for the immediate future.

There is no doubt that the younger and larger Baer's activities gradually are revealing the 1934-35 membership of the Amalgamated Order of Resined Round Heels, yet to date the list does not include an old familiar name.

Tiny Abbott, Max Brown, Jack Petric, Gene Garner, Frank Ketter, Johnny Baker, Red Fields, Mickey McGoorty, Bob Cook, Jack Cerosky, Henry Surrette, and Gene Stanton—who ever heard of them?

It is to be hoped that Pop Hoffman merely has decided that the baby Baer is not yet ready for big league set-ups.

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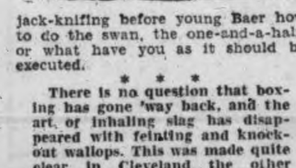
It really is a shame if such famous fold-uppers as Big Boy Peterson, Elizar Rioux, Cowboy Bill Owens, Man Mountain Erickson, Farmer Lodge, Jack McAuliffe II, K. O. Christner, George Cook, Pat Redmond and Knute Hansen have disappeared from the ring forever.

Surely, one or two of them will bob up on their heels again, and show the Johnny-Come-Latelys now



jack-knifing before young Baer how to do the swan, the one-and-a-half, or what have you as it should be executed.

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There is no question that boxing has gone 'way back, and the art of inhaling slag has disappeared with feinting and knockout wallops. This was made quite clear in Cleveland the other night, when young Baer put a lily in the hand of McGoorty with a dirty look and a vicious swing to the shoulder blade.

As a faller, McGoorty does not even know how to get to one knee.

How the newer customers would have enjoyed some of the old-time fallers, such as Bill Squires, Fred Fulton, Lodge and Quentin Romero Rojas.

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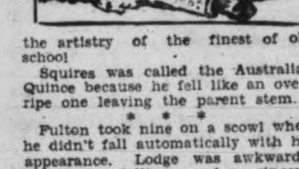
Some of the more recent fallers, such as Christner, Hansen, Peterson, and Victorio Campolo, were fairly accomplished, but none quite matched



the artistry of the finest of old school

Squires was called the Australian Quince because he fell like an overripe one leaving the parent stem.

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Fulton took nine on a scowl when he didn't fall automatically with his appearance. Lodge was awkwardly clever in falling, and so sincere. Rojas slid to the deck like an avalanche in his native Andes.

Christner was an obliging and thoroughly dependable canvas kisser, who seldom kept the folks waiting for any length of time.

Hansen slumped downward with a camp-stool effect, and the Dane's breaking his falls with his knees counted heavily against him. Peterson was a good workmanlike faller, with no frills.

Campolo went down right smartly, but made the mistake of shaking his head once all of him was on the boards. Quivering accentuates true form in falling, but a first flight faller simply does not shake his head.

Boxing right now requires many things, not the least of which is a finished group of folder-uppers.

Best laugh of the hot stove league this far was when Clark Griffith offered $100,000 for Bill Werber and $40,000 for Oral Hildebrand. Griffith would sell the entire Washington club, and throw in a quit claim deed to Griffith Stadium, for $100,000 cash, and consider himself a David Harum. Indeed, the Old Fox outstripped David when he obtained $150,000 and Lyn Lary in exchange for his son-in-law, Joe Cronin. The group of National League owners who put over nocturnal baseball will testify that a lot of whole ball clubs arent worth that much.

Intercity Soccer Halted By Darkness

Vancouver, Dec. 24. — Saturday's regular Intercity Soccer League fixness in the second period, when St. ture was called on account of dark- Saviours had a 2 to 1 lead over Westminster Royals.

The only goal in the first period was scored by Coulter. Turner placed the ball into the Saints' net shortly before, but the goal was disallowed because Coulter was offside.

George Bradbury evened the score on a pass from his brother, Ernie, and the same combination accounted for the Saints' second goal.

Referee Murray then called the game after a discussion with Murray West and Turner, this decision causing considerable argument.

Juvenile Soccer

Under Sixteen
Capitals 4, St. Louis College 0.
Hill's Corner 2, Esquimalt 1.
Under Eighteen
Victoria West Cubs 1, Oak Bay 0.
Marigold 3, Victoria City 0.

Register Second Straight Win By Beating Chicago

Jack McGill Scoring Star in Victories Over St. Louis and Hawks

DETROIT WINGS BEAT AMERICANS

Those few who had already counted Montreal Canadiens out of the National Hockey League race took another look at the standings to-day, and decided to withhold judgment until more returns are in.

For the Habitants showed a flash of their old-time "Flying Frenchmen" form over the week-end, and, taking games from St. Louis and Chicago, jumped right from the Canadian section cellar into third place, just two points behind Montreal Maroons.

The Montrealers' bright showing highlighted an N.H.L. week-end packed with six games and almost as many surprises. Not only did the Habitants beat the world champion Hawks 4 to 1 yesterday evening after handing St. Louis a 2 to 1 defeat the night before, but New York Rangers humbled Montreal Maroons 2 to 1, and Boston knocked over Detroit 4 to 3 to hold on to second position in the United States section.

Toronto Leafs' 1 to 0 win over Chicago at Toronto Saturday was more to be expected, but they had to wait until the second last minute of the game before Hec Kilrea passed to Harvey Jackson for the only tally. After losing Saturday Detroit beat New York Americans 2 to 1 yesterday evening in the sixth game played.

MCGILL IS STAR

Jack McGill, the left winger Leo Dandurand brought up from McGill University's team, starred in the Canadiens' two victories, scoring the winning goal against Eagles and two of their four counters against Chicago.

Hawks had served up the fastest game of the Toronto season Saturday night with Tiny Thompson, Boston, and Lorne Chabot, Chicago.

The game was a rough affair, twenty penalties being handed out. Bill Kendall was serving one for tripping when Jackson scored the goal that sent 14,000 fans home happy.

Line-ups and summaries follow:

Toronto—Hainsworth; Hollett, Day, Metz; Kilrea, Boll. Spares: Horner, Clancy, Blair, Cotton, Conacher, Primeau, H. Jackson, Kelly, A. Jackson.

Chicago—Chabot; Coulter, Burke; Morenz; Gottselig; March. Spares: Wiebe, Thompson, Couture, Locking, Kendall, Cook, Romnes, McFadyen and Trudel.

Officials—A. G. Smith and Dinny Dinsmore.

SUMMARY

First period—No score. Penalties: Cook (2), Day, March, Cotton, Jackson, Kendall.

Second period—No score. Penalties: Day, Thompson, Primeau, March, Jackson, Trudel, and Conacher.

Third period—1, Toronto, Jackson (Kilrea), 18.19. Penalties: Coulter, Jackson, Romnes, Burke, Metz and Kendall.

Boston—Thompson; Siebert, Shore; Kaminsky; Barry, Clapper. Spares: Stewart, Beattie, Shill, Portland, Williams, O'Neil, Gagnon, Jerwa, Sands.

Detroit—Smith; Young, Goodfellow; Weiland; Lewis, Aurie. Spares: Sorrell, Gross, Wiseman, Graham, Buswell, Boyd, Duguid and Anderson.

Officials—Stewart and Bell.

SUMMARY

First period—1, Detroit, Aurie (Weiland), 14.14.

Second period—2, Detroit, Weiland (Lewis), 2.15; 3, Boston, Kaminsky (Seibert), 2.45. Penalties: Stewart and Graham.

Third period—4, Boston, Barry (unassisted), 13.12; 5, Detroit, Weiland (Lewis), 17.05; 6, Boston, Stewart (Beattie), 17.34; 7, Boston, Stewart (Beattie), 18.43.

Canadiens—Cude, Carson, Jenkins, Lepine, Joliat and Larochelle. Spares: G. Mantha, Savage, Riley, Raymond, McGill, Mondou, Goldsworth and S. Mantha.

St. Louis — Beveridge, Bowman, Frew, Lamb, Shannon and Finnegan. Spares: Wilson, Ayers, Voss, Brydson, Howe, E. Roche, Wasnie, Ripley and Patterson.

Referee—O. Cameron and G. V. Goodman.

SUMMARY

First period—1, Canadiens, Lepine (Larochelle), 1.45. Penalties: Ayers, Patterson, Jenkins.

Second period—No score. Penalty: Ayers (major).

Third period—2, St. Louis, Brydson (Howe-Voss), 4.07; 3, Canadiens, McGill (Jenkins-Larochelle), 8.40. Penalty: Joliat.

Rangers—Kerr; Seibert, Johnson; Boucher; W. Cook, F. Cook. Spares: Cilton, Murdoch, Keeling, Levinsky, Somers, Heller, Connolly, Mason, Patrick.

Maroons — Connell; Westworth, Evans; Blinco; Robinson, Trottier. Spares: Conacher, Ward, Northcott, Smith, Cain, Haines, Shields, Gainor and Marker.

Officials—Rodden and McCurry.

SUMMARY

First period—1, Rangers, F. Cook (W. Cook and Boucher), 14.58.

Second period—2, Rangers, F. Cook (W. Cook and Boucher), 10.12. Penalty: Seibert.

Third period—3, Maroons, Robin-

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Major Hockey Pace-setters

Leaders in the various departments in the National Hockey League follow:

CANADIAN SECTION

Section—Toronto, won 13, lost 2, tied 1, points 27.
Points — Jackson, Toronto, 16 goals, 6 assists, 22 points.
Goals—Jackson, Toronto, 16.
Assists—Conacher, Toronto, 10.
Penalties—Horner, Toronto, 45 minutes.
Shutouts—Hainsworth, Toronto, 4.

AMERICAN SECTION

Section—Chicago, won 9, lost 3, tied 1, points 19.
Points — Weiland, Detroit, 8 goals, 10 assists, 18 points.
Goals—Barry, Boston, 9.
Assists—Weiland, Detroit, 10; Lewis, Detroit, 10.
Penalties—Coulter, Chicago, 30.
Shutouts — Thompson, Bruins; Chabot, Chicago, 4.

LONDON TECS BOOST LEAD

Leaders in International Hockey League Turn Back Detroit 2 to 1

Windsor, Ont., Dec. 24.—Eddie Power's Syracuse Stars carried the heavy end of the International League hockey schedule over the week-end and although they registered a last period victory over Buffalo Bisons they also dropped a game to Cleveland which prevented them from jumping into a second place tie [illegible]

London Tecs took a 2 to 1 fall out of last place Detroit Olympics in overtime with the net result they stretched their lead to six points at the top of the league.

Showing unexpected power Cleveland whipped Syracuse, 5 to 1, in the former city Saturday night. Syracuse did a little scoring on its own account, popping in a pair in the last period to edge out a 3 to 1 victory over Mickey Roach's Bisons.

MISS DEWAR OUTSTANDING

Moose Jaw Swimming Star Voted Canada's Leading Woman Athlete of 1934

Toronto, Dec. 24.—Regardless of what the Women's Amateur Athletic Federation will have to say on the subject shortly, Canada's outstanding woman athlete in 1934 was Phyllis Dewar, "the mermaid of the plains," in the view of more than two-fifths of sports editors participating in a Canadian Press poll.

The newspaper critics lauded the swimming accomplishments of the eighteen-year-old Moose Jaw, Sask., girl, holder of four British Empire Games gold medals, in returning her victory over starry track and field athletes and golfers. She succeeds Ada Mackenzie, Toronto, 1933's outstanding woman athlete by virtue of her win victories in the national golfing championships.

When Miss Mackenzie was losing both her open and close titles this year and Canada's track and field forces were being humbled consistently at the Empire Games, Miss Dewar was writing new swimming history for this country. Nationally, she was unknown a year ago.

POPULAR CHOICE

Sports editors voted firmly in favor of the Moose Jaw flier. She received twenty-five of the thirty-seven votes cast. Seven went to Aileen Meagher, Halifax, 220-yard sprint star who placed second in her event at the Empire Games and was a big factor in Canada's only winning relay effort on the track.

Single votes were cast for Hilda Strike, Montreal sprinter who was voted the outstanding woman athlete of the year in 1932; Betty Taylor, Hamilton, Ont., crack hurdler; Mrs. Alexa Stirling Fraser, Ottawa, Canadian women's open golf champion; Margery Kirkham, Montreal golfer, and Irene Pirie.

Dan Moses Shows Big Improvement

Condition of Dan Moses, popular rowing coach for the James Bay Athletic Association and a rugby referee here, was reported good by hospital authorities to-day. Dan was removed to St. Joseph's Saturday morning with an attack of appendicitis and underwent an operation. He will be confined to the hospital for some time

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 24 (Associated Press).—Governors of the Canadian-American Hockey League yesterday adopted the penalty shot rule, recently put into effect by the National League.

A permanent franchise was granted Quebec Beavers club.

Miracles of Sport By Robert Edgren

HALF DOZEN TO RACE IN CHRISTMAS SWIM

Headed by Bill Robertson, three times winner of the Harbord Cup and defending trophy holder, half a dozen swimmers will line the float in the Inner Harbor to-morrow morning for the Victoria Amateur Swimming Club's annual Christmas swim. The plunge, scheduled to be made at 11 o'clock, will send the swimmers away over the fifty-yard route. Swimmers will be graded on handicaps. In addition to Robertson; others entered for the event include Christina Smith, Fred Pocock, Bob O'Neil and Doreen Dale-Johnson.

Blue Ribbons In Overtime Victory

Come Through in Extra Time to Whip Seattle Union Oil 35 to 32 in Thrilling Intercity Exhibition Basketball Tilt

Crashing their opponents' defence for seven points during the five minutes of overtime, Victoria's Blue Ribbons chalked up their second victory in three starts against United States basketball teams when they handed the flashy Union Oil of Seattle a 35 to 32 defeat before a packed gallery at the Victoria High School gymnasium Saturday evening.

The Ribbons displayed a complete reversal of form over their last miserable showing of last week, when they bowed to the Seattle De Molays and astounded the fans with their exhibition of fighting courage and determination. The visitors lived up to advance reports and fielded a well-balanced team of ball handlers. Much of the credit for the win went to young Doug Peden, who turned in the best game of his brief career as a basketball player. Doug was the spark plug of the Ribbons' offence throughout the whole game, and, although he was playing a defensive position he walked off the floor with fourteen well-earned points.

Art Chapman, who has been out of the game for a number of weeks through injuries, flashed some of his old-time form and was in there full of fight for over forty minutes. It was his basket, with four minutes to go, that sent the game into overtime.

PLAY IS FAST

Victoria opened with a dash into their opponent's territory. Passing the ball around with lightning rapidity, Art Chapman faked Martin's pass to score from under. Peden repeated seconds later as he also faked a nice pass near the foul line to sink an over-hand push shot. It was a very smooth piece of play that completely fooled the Seattle defence. The visitors took time out after three minutes of play. On the resumption, Le Voff took the centre tip-off to loop in a shot from the blue line. After Chuck Chapman missed Ainslee's foul Murphy tapped in a rebound to tie the score at 4 to 4. A beautiful play from C. Chapman to A. Chapman to Peden on a tip-off play was good for a couple of points.

Murphy came back to even the count with a one-hander from the foul line. Ainslee put the Oilers in the lead for the first time by sinking C. Chapman's foul. Tearing down the right wing, Art Chapman sent a long one-hander sizzling through the hoop. Andrews replaced McKeachie. Chuck Chapman increased the Ribbon's lead with a nice looper from the wing, and then Andrews went through unassisted to make it 12 to 7. Ainslee scored from the foul line on a fake and Le Voff sent in two free throws to end the scoring for the first quarter at 12 to 10 for the Ribbons.

SECOND QUARTER

Martin slipped up on two free throws to open the second quarter, but Peden made Art Chapman's pass good with a long shot. Once again Seattle took time out and McKeachie went in for Martin. Ainslee scored from the tip-off, but Peden again brought the fans to their feet as he fought through to score from under. Art Chapman made it 18 to 12 on Peden's pass.

Four minutes from the half, things began to happen and the Ribbons almost let the game slip away from them as the Oilers went on a scoring splurge that netted them ten points without a reply, to put them four points in the lead. Victoria made the mistake of not calling time out until almost too late and the half found Seattle riding on the crest of a 22 to 18 lead.

Chuck Chapman opened the third quarter with a shot from the wing, but Le Voff scored on A. Chapman's foul. Cruickshanks made it 25 to 20. Doug Peden came to the rescue with a timely basket on a pass from A. Chapman and Seattle took its third and final time out, as Thompson went into the game for Murphy. Art tapped in Andrew's rebound and for some minutes the teams battled with only one point separating them at 25 to 24 for Union Oil.

FOURTH QUARTER

Peden put the Ribbons in the lead at the start of the fourth and final quarter on a beautiful spinner play, but Le Voff tied the score at 26 to 26 with a free throw. Seconds later the same player faked a pass to score but with less than four minutes to go Art Chapman made the count 28 to 28. The game was held up for a few minutes when Wright was knocked out as he collided with Doug Peden. Andrews missed a free throw that would have won the game just at the bell.

The Ribbons' fine physical condition played an important part in the overtime period. Art Chapman opened with a long one-hander from the wing and the crowd went wild. Le Voff missed his first free throw of the game when fouled by McKeachie. Peden completed a good night's work by sinking two free throws to put the Ribbons four points up. Foster scored one minute from time, but McKeachie put the game on ice with a free shot. Andrews took A. Chapman's pass to register from under. Seattle was awarded a basket with seconds to go as Chuck Chapman touched the hoop in trying to clear.

Regents displayed very little interest in their game against the Canadian Scottish and dropped a 28 to 20 decision to the cellar club. As the intermediate "A" section winner has already been declared, the game had no bearing on the standing.

Kingham-Gillespie had rather an easy time humbling the Black-Hawks 35 to 22 in another boys' intermediate "A" game.

Teams and scores follow:

Blue Ribbons—C. Chapman (4), A. McKeachie (1), Andrews (4), Martin, Peden (14), Craig and A. Chapman (12). Total, 35.

Union Oil—Ainslee (5), Cruickshanks (4), Murphy (8), Le Voff (9), Foster (6), Thompson, Harden, Wright and Fredderich. Total, 32.

Kingham - Gillespie—Anderson (6), Edge (8), McConnell (8), Turner (9), Phillips (2), Allan, Berry, Dale and McConnel (2). Total, 35.

Black Hawks—Myers (4), Crowe (2), Sparks (10), Cliff (4), and Stancil (2). Total, 22.

Canadian Scottish—Alexander (1), Day, Knight (2), Reid (4), Thorburn, Gent (8), Mainprize (1), and Dodswell (12). Total, 28.

Regents — Noakes (7), McAdam, Chambers (4), Fleming (5), Shepherd (4) and Kirk. Total, 20.

M'SPADEN IS GOLF WINNER

Captures Pasadena Open Tournament With 72-Hole Score of 281

Pasadena, Calif., Dec. 24.—Despite a shaky finish, Harold McSpaden, sturdy professional of Kansas City, Kansas, yesterday won the Pasadena open golf tournament with its first prize of $1,000, shooting 70-67-71-73—281.

Tied for second place were Ted Longworth, Portland, Ore., and Dick Metz, youthful Chicago professional, with 286 totals, five strokes back of the twenty-six-year-old Kansan. They shared $1,000. Representing Canada, Lex Robson of Toronto, shot beautifully steady golf for three rounds, then blew slightly. His total of 296 was made up of rounds of 73, 72, 73, 78.

John Revolta, Milwaukee, staggered home with a 76, his second of the day, and dropped far behind. Charles Guest, the other pro within striking distance, who pulled himself up into a tie for the lead with a sensational 66 Saturday, finished with 76 and a 77 yesterday for 290 strokes.

George Patterson Back to Detroit

St. Louis, Dec. 24.—George Patterson, right-wing and centre, who came to St. Louis Eagles National League hockey team on option recently, was sent back to Detroit Red Hawks yesterday. The Eagles' manager, George Boucher, made the announcement.

Huskies Defeated By Trojan Cagers

Seattle, Dec. 24. — University of Southern California Trojans raced to a 40 to 24 win Saturday evening over the Washington Huskies, evening up their two-game pre-season series. The triumph may be costly, as Lee Guttero, Trojans' star centre, injured his leg in the last few minutes of play and was carried from the floor. Washington won last night, 39 to 30.

Seven Football Players Injured

Perry Drops Fourth Match

Sydney, N.S.W., Dec. 24.—The disastrous invasion of Australia by Fred Perry, England, ranked as the world's leading amateur tennis player, continued to-day when he was beaten by Christian Boussus, France, 4-6, 6-2, 6-3.

Play was in a three-nation match between British, French and Australian players. Three Australians have defeated Perry in less than a month.

BILL PAIR OF RUGBY GAMES

Rest to Tackle Navy Here Wednesday; Scottish to Play Occasionals Saturday

Rugby followers of the city had two fixtures billed for their entertainment this week. On Wednesday a team chosen from the James Bay Athletic Association, the Fifth Brigade, the Garrison, and the Canadian Scottish will play the city champions, the Navy, at the Athletic Park at 2.30 o'clock.

On Saturday next the Canadian Scottish, fourth place team in the local standings when league play was completed over the week-end, are scheduled to meet the Vancouver Occasionals in a match at Macdonald Park.

The personnel of the team which will meet the Navy follows: Full-back, Roddy McInnes, Fifth Brigade; three-quarters, Johnny Beck and Brian Hunnings, J.B.A.A., Paul Rowe and Ken Flemming, Fifth Brigade; half-backs, Buzz Brown, J.B.A.A., [illegible] scrum, Harry Peard, J.B.A.A., Bill Wharton, Garrison, Ed de Blaquiere, Fifth Brigade, Dan Doswell, Fifth Brigade, Doug. Peden, Fifth Brigade, Jack Bankes, Canadian Scottish, Chris Usher, J.B.A.A., and Alec Gaunt, Fifth Brigade (reserve).

The Navy will line up as follows for the clash: Full-back, Robinson; three-quarters, Bamfield, Putnam, Smith and Sweet; halves, Freeman and Stagg; forwards, Barker, Hall, McRae, Corbin, Swetnam, Briggs, Rutherford and Nixon. Reserve, Conway.

NANAIMO IN BITTER WIN

Defeat St. Andrews 4 to 2 in Intercity League Soccer; Knight Sent Off Field

Nanaimo, Dec. 24.—Scoring three goals in a great last half rally, Nanaimo City yesterday advanced into a first place tie with Vancouver Rangers, as they polished off St. Andrews, 4 to 2, in their inter-city soccer league tussle. Nanaimo had only ten men on the field when they scored the three goals.

Anything but the Christmas spirit abounded in the match, wihch was acclaimed by 1,200 fans as the finest of the season. Hips, feet and even fists were used by opposing players to stop either man or ball. Jimmy Knight, stellar Nanaimo halfback, went to the showers early in the second half for attempting to cauliflower Alcock's ear.

Knight would have left the field anyway, a badly twisted knee putting him out of commission, just before he swung at the visiting player.

The Rothweiler-Nestman combination bore fruit four minutes after play opened, the latter scoring with a low drive that skimmed off the fullback's shoe tops.

SCORE FROM PENALTY

Referee Jack Smart was taken to task by the Scots when he awarded a penalty against Findler for handling in the forbidden area. Grey scored from the shot, knotting the count.

Three minutes from half time Alcock put St. Andrews ahead once more, with a beautiful header on Rothweiler's flag kick.

Soon after the change over, Knight was put out of commission. As he lay on the ground, Alcock approached him. Jimmy immediately jumped to his feet and threw a few punches at his opponent before players separated them. He was carried from the field.

At the ten-minute mark, Jimmy Tantrum notched a wonderful goal as Rabbitt dove across the goal in a vain attempt to stop his drive from the eighteen-yard line.

The same player nudged the goalie enough, eleven minutes later, to put Rabbitt off balance as he tried to punch clear a high lob from Thompson. The ball skidded off his knuckles into the net, giving the City the lead for the first time during the struggle.

Tantrum arched another shot past Rabbitt, with fourteen minutes to go, to complete the scoring.

Luke and Richardson, Huddersfield, and Reading Goalie Hurt in English League Matches Saturday; Scottish League Race Tightens Up

London, Dec. 24.—Leaders of the first division in the English Football League, embarked on the toughest schedule of the year, today faced the rest of the week with some cause for gloom. All were beaten in Saturday's Games.

Sunderland retained top place in the standing despite a 3 to 2 beating from Liverpool. The team's defeat came as a surprise after it had a lead of 2 to 1 at half time on goals by Gallacher and Gurney. Wright got Liverpool's first goal and Weight and Hanson followed in the second half.

Arsenal also started ahead, but took a 3 to 1 beating from Derby County. The Gunners were in the lead 1 to 0 at half time on Bowden's goal scored from a throw-in. Stockhill scored twice for the Derby and Gallacher, former Chelsea player, got their other goal. Arsenal played a game that was mainly defensive. The team stayed in second place.

Wolverhampton scored a 5 to 0 victory over Manchester City at home after running in four goals before half time. Wrigglesworth scored twice and Hartill, Hollingsworth and Jones once each.

LUKE INJURED

Stoke City downed Huddersfield with 4 to 1 in a patchy game. Stoke opened the scoring with a goal by Sale, but Luke replied for Huddersfield to the score before the interval. Huddersfield was without the services of Luke, who was injured in the second half, while Richardson also was limping. Sale, Davies and Liddle scored in the second frame.

Aston Villa and Blackburn Rovers played a 1 to 1 tie. During a melee a Blackburn player was struck and knocked down. It could not be seen who struck the blow, but it was believed league officials would investigate the incident.

Thompson opened the scoring for Blackburn and Waring, Villans's centre forward got the evener.

Brentford's 2 to 1 victory over [illegible] lead of the second divison by a small fraction. Fletcher and Hopkins gave Brentford its goals before half time and Boyd got the loser's single. Newcastle United looked like a first division team as it downed Burnley 3 to 0 with a skillful attack and a rock-like defence.

Charlton Athletic held onto top place in the southern section of the third division by a 3 to 1 victory over the second place Reading team. Reading scored first when Tait banged in a ground shot, but Harris equalized before the half-way mark. Reading lost its goalkeeper in the second half when he had to retire with a twisted knee. His place was taken by the right back. Hibbis and Wilkinson completed Charlton's score.

Tranmere Rovers stayed in top spot of the northern section after playing a scoreless draw with fourth-place Chester. It was a dull game.

Glasgow, Scotland, Dec. 24.—Rangers to-day clung to a slim lead at the top of the Scottish Football League's first division as the race became tighter than it has been for years. Only two points separated the first six clubs in the league's standing and only goal averages stood between the first three.

All six of the top teams won their games Saturday. Rangers smashed the lowly Dunfermline 8 to 1, Hearts downed Falkirk 4 to 1, Hamilton Academicals took Hibernians 2 to 1, Celtic came through with a 3 to 2 victory over Kilmarnock, St. Johnstone was on the long end of a 4 to 0 score with St. Mirren, and Aberdeen downed Partick Thistles 3 to 0.

Celtic went two goals up in the first fifteen minutes and Kilmarnock failed to recover. Pateison opened the scoring with a penalty goal and the two O'Donnells got one apiece, while Robertson and Beattie scored for Kilmarnock.

YOUNG FRONT LINE

Rangers trounced Dunfermline with a forward line believed the youngest they have ever used. Gillick, given a trial at outside right, was the big success of the game as at least five goals came from his accurate crosses.

Smith scored four of the goals and McAulay, Meiklejohn and Gillick one each. The eighth came when Crawford scored on his own goal. Dunfermline's single came off a penalty kick.

Armstrong scored two of Aberdeen's three goals and Benyon the other in a game that saw Aberdeen score an easier victory over Partick Thistle than the score indicated.

Dundee continued its steady playing and downed Albion Rovers 2 to 1 at Coatbridge. Coats scored both Dundee's goals in a victory that was narrow but earned. Bruce got Rovers' goal from a penalty shot.

Johnstone's three goals and Carroll's two gave Clyde a comfortable 5 to 1 win over Ayr United, for whom Fitzgerald scored a single. Hamilton Academicals, playing at home, had keen competition from Hibernians, who played sound football. The homesters, however, had the edge and held the lead they got from Wilson's and King's goals. Black scored for the visitors.

New York Rangers Get Harold Starr

Montreal, Dec. 24.—Two members of Windsor Bull Dogs team of the International Hockey League were withdrawn from that club during the week-end by Montreal Maroons of the National League, which had lent the players.

Harold Starr, hard-hitting defenceman, was sold to New York Rangers, manager T. P. Gorman of Maroons announced, while Sammy McManus, speedy wing man, was recalled by Maroons.

Esquimalt Wins Cup Soccer Tilt

Defeats Victoria City 4 to 1 in Leeming Cup Competition; Dockers Prove Better Mudders; Will Meet Wests Or Thistles in Final

Playing on a field that would have been an ideal spot for ducks to frolic around, Esquimalt defeated Victoria City 4 to 1 in the semi-final of the Leeming Cup football series at the Athletic Park on Saturday afternoon. With only a handful of the faithful in attendance the Dockers turned in a smart performance to eliminate the redshirts and advance to the final. Esquimalt will meet the winner of the Victoria West-Saanich Thistles engagement in the deciding encounter to decide possession of the trophy.

Trotting out an eleven strengthened by the addition of Ab. March at left fullback, Ivan Sweeney at right half and a revamped forward line, the Dockers were just too good for the City. On the ninety minutes' play Esquimalt were the better team and their three-goal margin was a fair indication of the trend of play. March and Sweeney, turning out after long lay-offs, performed well. The former cleared well and used his head to break up many City attacks. Sweeney fed his forwards in great fashion with neat short passes and held down George Payne, crack outside left of the city.

Opening the game with only eight men, the City were forced on the defence in the first few minutes but came close to scoring on a quick breakaway. Gibbons scooted down the right wing and crossed perfectly into the Esquimalt goalmouth, but Harry Youson and Jack Payne were unable to get their boots to the ball with only DeCosta to beat.

TWO QUICK GOALS

Hodgson, Robbins and Stofer arrived to bring the City to full strength. Esquimalt continued to put on the pressure and forced two corner kicks. After seven minutes the Dockers went into the lead, which they never lost. Moore, City right half, handled the ball just outside the penalty area. McBay's kick was taken by John Watt, who passed to Scotty Stewart, and the inside right flicked the ball past Rowe in the City goal. Only fifteen minutes had elapsed when McBay kick made it 2 to 0. Mail converting a pass from Barnswell after Watt had crossed from the right wing.

The City rallied and after repeated attacks on the Esquimalt goal, managed to net their only counter, Jack Payne booting home a pass from Brother George. Louis DeCosta, Esquimalt goalie, was out of position on the shot, having come out of his net expecting a shot from George Payne. Rowe made a clever play when he fumbled a hard shot from Watt and threw behind the line when rushed by Mail.

At the other end, George Payne sent in a sizzler from left wing that DeCosta gathered in nicely and cleared. Eddie Gibson, City left half, left the field with an injured leg and was replaced by Tommy Smith. Esquimalt came close when Rowe fumbled a shot from Mail but fell on the ball and held it with several opposing players gathered around him. Just before the half, Wagland made it 3 to 1 when he beat Rowe with a first time drive to the top corners of the net.

BARNSWELL SCORES

With the start of the second half, Moody went to right half for the City in place of Smith. Jack Payne missed an open net after DeCosta had sprawled full-length to block a shot from George Payne. Esquimalt got their fourth goal when Barnswell slipped the ball into the net after Rowe had come out to meet him. Rowe made two great saves on shots from Wagland. With the end of the game drawing near the players tired under the heavy going. The final whistle saw no change in the score.

At the conclusion Rowe was covered from head to foot in mud.

Bill Cull refereed.

The teams follow:

Esquimalt — DeCosta, Joe Watt, March, Sweeney, Hay, McBay, John Watt, Stewart, Mail, Wagland and Barnswell.

Victoria City—Rowe, Stofer, Halkett, Moore, Robbins, Gibson, L. Gibbons, Hodgson, Youson, J. Payne, G. Payne, Smith and Moody.

Horse Returns $1,146 for $2

Panama, Dec. 24.—The United States horse, Night Try, won a race at the Juan Franco track yesterday and paid its backers at the rate of $1,146 for $2 to win. It was the highest-priced long shot that ever came home a winner at this track.

REGISTER SECOND STRAIGHT WIN BY BEATING CHICAGO

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son (Conacher and Blinco), 6.29. Penalty: Johnson.

Canadiens—Cude, Jenkins, Carson, Lepine, Larochelle, Joliat, S. Mantha, G. Mantha, Savage, Riley, Raymond, McGill, Goldsworthy.

Chicago—Chabot, Coulter, Burke, Romnes, Couture, Thompson, Wiebe, Morenz, March, Locking, Kendall, Cook, Gottselig, Trudel, McFadyen.

Officials—A. G. Smith and G. N. Goodman.

SUMMARY

First period—1, Canadiens, Goldsworthy (Riley), 3.06. Penalties: Jenkins, McFadyen.

Second period—2, Canadiens, McGill (Larochelle-S. Mantha), 8.30; 3, Canadiens, Joliat (Larochelle), 13.30. Penalties: Lepine, Wiebe, Savage, Locking.

Third period—4, Canago, Gottselig (Morenz-March-Thompson), 5.50; 5, Canadiens, McGill, 9.50. Penalties: G. Mantha, Burke, Locking (major), McGill (2).

Shots stopped—Cude, 7-13-7—27; Chabot, 6-7-9—22.

Americans—Worters, Dutton, Murray, Himes, Oliver, Emms, Klein, Conn, Burke, Chapman, Carr, Schriner, Bridge, A. Smith, McVeigh.

Detroit—N. Smith, Goodfellow, Young, Weiland, Aurie, Lewis, Boyd, Wiseman, Duguid, Sorrell, Anderson, Gross, Graham, Buswell.

Officials—Bill Stewart and Billy Bell.

SUMMARY

First period—No score. Penalties: Lewis, Carr, Gross.

Second period—1, Americans, Carr (Schriner-Chapman), 11.45. Penalties: None.

Third period—2, Detroit, Buswell (Goodfellow-Wiseman), 2.23; 3, Detroit, Anderson (Duguid), 17.05. Penalties: None.

HOCKEY STANDINGS

N. H. L.

Canadian Division

	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	P.
Toronto	13	3	1	48	30	27
Montreal	7	6	1	35	27	15
Canadiens	5	6	3	27	30	13
N.Y. Americans	5	8	2	29	38	12
St. Louis	3	13	2	23	50	8

American Division

	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	P.
Chicago	9	5	1	33	24	19
Boston	9	6	0	38	31	18
Detroit	7	7	2	48	32	16
N.Y. Rangers	5	10	0	38	56	10

NORTHWESTERN LEAGUE

	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	P.
Seattle	7	1	1	31	11	15
Vancouver	5	2	2	29	18	12
Portland	4	3	1	24	21	9
Calgary	2	4	2	20	24	6
Edmonton	0	8	0	11	41	0

BIG SEVEN OF MAJOR HOCKEY

The tie for last place in the National Hockey League's Big Seven ranking was cut to two to-day as week-end scoring points were computed.

Marty Barry, Boston; Tommy Cook, Chicago, and Larry Aurie, Detroit, were knocked out of the standings, and Herb Lewis, Detroit, jumped into a last-place tie with Bill Cook, New York Rangers.

The standings follow:

	G.	A.	Pts.
Jackson, Toronto	16	6	22
Conacher, Toronto	9	10	19
Weiland, Detroit	8	10	18
Robinson, Montreal	10	5	15
Goodfellow, Detroit	7	8	15
W. Cook, Rangers	6	8	14
Lewis, Detroit	4	10	14

TOP ROW RECORDS NEW WORLD TURF MARK

Speeding across the finish line in 1.42, Top Row, a three-year-old colt by Peanuts, and owned by A. A. Baroni of Reno, Nevada, set a new world record in a mile and a sixteenth race at the new Bay Meadows track, near San Francisco. Here is the horse, finishing in front, as it cut one-fifth of a second off the previous mark.

P. Burbridge Is Bowling Winner

The Britannia branch, Canadian Legion, Target Bowling League for 1934, will officially close with the presentation of prizes to players to-night by Comrade J. Simpson, president of the league.

Greater interest has been shown this year, and while P. Burbridge for the second year in succession was crowned champion, the issue was in doubt for a time, and close games were registered by Simpson and Pearson, who tied for second place.

Simpson was leader in 1932, while Burbridge was leader in 1933 and 1934. Comrade Simpson has donated each year a silver medal, suitably inscribed, for the yearly leader. The highest score possible in twelve league games is 3,024.

Individual scores follow:

	Score	Average
P. Burbridge	2,844	237
J Simpson	2,822	236
H. Pearson	2,822	236
W. Barbour	2,690	224
D. Maclellan	2,608	217
P. Chesworth	2,606	217
J. Young	2,494	208
J. Dobbs	2,437	203
H. Grafrose	2,422	202
R. Baldwin	2,374	198
J. Morrison	2,359	196
T. Gray	2,062	171
T. Obee	1,619	135
J. Garner	1,221	102

Gordon Wallace To Meet Headley

Ottawa, Dec. 24.—Arrangements have been completed to have Ronnie Headley, Ottawa welterweight, meet Gordon Wallace, recognized by the British Columbia Athletic Commission as Canadian champion of that division, in a title bout in Vancouver on January 8, it was announced to-day.

Headley tipped the scales at 150 pounds on completion of his training, but expects to have little difficulty in making the 147-pound limit. He will leave Ottawa Wednesday for the coast city.

Victoria State In Cricket Lead

Melbourne, Australia, Dec. 24.—Victoria State was heading for victory by an innings over New South Wales as their Sheffield Shield cricket match continued to-day. Scores at the close of play: Victoria, 558 (Darling 195, Bromley 102); New South Wales, 289 and following on 106 for three wickets (Brown 71, Fingleton 65, Fleetwood-Smith six for 107).

At Adelaide, Queensland and South Australia were battling on even terms, scores at the close of play there being as follows: Queensland 439 (Oxenham 74 not out, Grimmett nine for 180); South Australia, 337 for two wickets (Richardson 185, Nitschke 116).

Winnipeg Monarchs In Double Victory

Berlin, Dec. 24.—Playing their second hockey game within a few hours, Winnipeg Monarchs defeated Rastenburgers here yesterday evening 7 to 1 before a crowd estimated at 8,000.

Monarchs also won at Wiesbaden earlier yesterday, defeating Wiesbaden Ice Hockey Club 8 to 1.

BOB GRACIE TO NEW HAVEN

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 24.—Bob Gracie, wing player of New York Americans of the National Hockey League and formerly with Toronto Maple Leafs, yesterday evening joined New Haven Eagles of the Canadian-American League. Manager Frank Carroll said Gracie had been obtained from the Amerks on loan.

SENTENCE IS COMMUTED

Violette Noziere, Condemned to Death in Paris, to Serve Life Term

Associated Press

Paris, Dec. 24.—President Albert Lebrun commuted to life imprisonment to-day the sentence to the guillotine of Violette Noziere, nineteen-year-old convicted slayer of her father, as a result of her mother's appeal for clemency.

Testimony at the trial was to the effect that Violette had poisoned her father and attempted to dispose of her mother in the same fashion in order to secure an inheritance.

In the first stages of the trial Mme. Noziere was one of the most bitter witnesses against her daughter, but later she relented and they were reconciled.

Violette based her defence on charges that her father had mistreated her from childhood and forced her to live a life of shame. She was a familiar figure in the gay night life of the Montparnasse section of Paris.

THISTLES' LINE-UP

The line-up of the Saanich Thistles to meet Victoria City in a first division football match at Heywood Avenue on Wednesday afternoon, follows: Chalmers, Morrison, Essler, Gibbons, Leggett, Harper, Crowe, Williams, Pearce, Spellar, Viggers, Sage, Campbell, Morgan, Price, Carmichael and Armitage.

Christmas Songs

by Aline Michaelis

Only of love are Earth's songs today,
Only of love and peace;
Streams are ice-bound and skies are gray,
Yet have we found release
Now from the prisons where we dwelt,
Prisons of fear and dread,
All the doubts which so long we felt
Now from our thoughts have fled!

Only the wonderful Christ-Child's name
Sounds on all lips again,
Telling the story of how He came
Out of His love for men!
Telling the story that makes this day
Brighter than all the rest;
How in the manger the Christ-Child lay,
Snug on His mother's breast.
Only of love are the day's refrains,
Anthems that will not cease;
Ever are souls where the Christ-Child reigns
Singing of love and peace!

Ten Year Chase Gives Navy Cup

Sailors Win Barnard Trophy Emblematic of City Senior Rugby Championship After Campaign of One Decade; Gunners Down Scottish

Down the bumpy road of Victoria's senior rugby the Navy tramped for ten years to reach their goal on the rain-soaked Admirals Road pitch on Saturday. For a decade the sailors have tried for the Barnard Cup, emblematic of the senior oval ball-carrying championship of Victoria. It was theirs to-day. Saturday they muddied through to an 11 to 3 verdict over the Garrison in the final game of the second half.

In the other senior game of the day Fifth Brigade beat the Canadian Scottish 12 to 0 at Macdonald Park. Wanderers defaulted to the Bays.

As the result of the Admirals Road encounter, the tars wound up their scheduled games without a defeat. They have been held to a draw but once during the season.

SMART TRY

Opening against a Garrison team composed of only thirteen men, the sailors set up an early lead when Chuck Sweet went over just three minutes from the start. His try came after a pretty run in which almost all the Navy three line handled. Barker missed the kick for extra points.

The sailors came right back from the kick-off, but the Garrison held firm and finally forced into the Navy ground. The tars pushed back to their thirty-five-yard line, where Barker picked up and smashed his way through to the Tommies' twenty-five. He passed to Stagg, who gained and gave the ball to Sweet. Sweet went over at the corner and again the kick failed. The try came about five minutes after the initial score.

The Garrison worked down on kicks but could not penetrate the Navy defence. Nixon finally cleared with a nice kick, but the Tommies came back.

The soldiers kept hammering away on the Navy twenty-five but could not break through.

The Navy forwards broke back as the half closed. Shortly after the opening F. Pocock joined the Garrison side to bring the team up to fourteen men.

Early in the second half Sinclair was forced from the game with an injury to his eye and the teams were even in size.

After an opening attack by the Navy, the Garrison swung back and pressed.

FINAL NAVY CONTRIBUTION

Briggs led the sailors down on a dribble to the Tommies' ground, where they gained a scrum close to the line. Hall broke fast from the pack and, aided by a Garrison fumble, got the ball over for the sailors' last try. Bert Barker added the extra points to make the count read 11 to 0.

Two minutes later the Garrison stormed down. Robinson was stopped before he had a chance to clear near his own line and Stagg passed a little wildly when Robinson gave him the ball. Putnam attempted to fly kick it into touch as it was relayed, but the Garrison broke through, Buxton kicking over and streaking across to score the Tommies' only try.

Freeman was hurt shortly after and was forced to retire. Neither team showed much rugby as the game closed.

Bill Derbyshire refereed and the teams lined up as follows:

Navy—Robinson, Bamfield, Sweet, Smith, Putnam, Stagg, Freeman, Swetnam, Corbin, Rutherford, Hall, Sinclair, Barker, Nixon and Briggs.

Garrison—Featherstone, Hall, Patterson, Clarke, Smale, Eastick, Ley, Martin, Buxton, Polinsky, Snow, F. Pocock, Chaplin, S. Pocock.

GUNNERS WIN

Held to only one try in the first half, Fifth Brigade ran over three more in the second to gain their 12 to 0 verdict over the Canadian Scottish. The game was fairly ragged, with the gunners' backfield showing occasional form and their forwards completely beating the Highlanders.

About twenty minutes from the start of the game Peden scored on a forward dribble to give the artillerymen their only count of the half.

Eight minutes from the resumption of play, Fleming went over after a nice thirty-five-yard run down the centre of the field.

Peden gained another counter when he completed another forward rush by falling on the ball.

The last try of the day came at the end of a good Fifth Brigade forward movement when Engleson took the ball over the line and Peden touched it down for his third and the team's fourth try to make the score read 12 to 0.

No converts were kicked.

The Scottish could not seem to get going throughout the encounter and although Jack Bankes and some of the forwards turned in good performances, the pack was no match for the gunners.

On their occasional runs the Fifth's backfield gained good yardage, while Roddy McInnes turned in a smart performance at fullback.

Aubrey Walls handled the whistle and the teams follow:

Fifth Brigade—McInnis, Phillipsen, Simpson, Rowe, Gaunt, Fleming, Stipe, Ingleson, Gray, De Blaquire, Peden, Doswell, Eastham, Rogerson and Stewart.

Scottish Regiment—Colgate, Holland, Stursberg, Tisdale, Lytton, Tye, Billingsley, Gardner, Thompson, Knight, Doswell, Rowland, George, Acland and Bankes.

In the Intermediate League, Wanderers' Blues shut out their brother team, the Whites, 14 to 0, at Oak Bay Park, while Canadian Scottish, with only thirteen men, set back the Fifth Brigade 8 to 0 at Work Point.

Ronnie McConnan kicked a penalty goal and converted Fisher's try to give the Blues an 8 to 0 lead at half time and Barber and Bryden each scored once in the second half to complete the count.

Speed gained a try, which Forbes converted to start the Scottish on their victorious way. H. Anderson added another try to the total.

World Swimming Marks Bettered

Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Dec. 24.—Two world swimming records were broken here by Katherine Rawls, Fort Lauderdale, and Ralph Flanagan, Coral Gables.

Miss Rawls clipped three seconds from her own 300-yard medley record for the short course. Her time was 4.53.

Flanagan beat the 500-metre free-style record held by Jack Medica, Seattle, by four seconds. His time was 6 minutes 20.4 seconds.

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Racing Results

New Orleans, Dec. 24.—Results of horse racing here Saturday follow:

First race—Six furlongs:

Commandman (Chestnut)	$26.80	$7.00	$4.40
Transen (Basile)		6.40	4.00
Two Brooms (Verbus)			3.00

Time, 1.13. Also ran, War Dimes, Alma S., Witherral, Burgoo, Ellen D., The Crane, Goose Flesh, Celiva, Breezing Along.

Second race—One mile:

Six Bells (Terry)	$7.20	$3.80	$ 3.40
Inspector (Hernandez)		6.00	4.80
Luke Commoner (Dillea)			11.60

Time, 1.40 2-5. Also ran: Supero, Northern Sir, Simple Honors, Mysterious Nell, Marcelette, Hasola, Mokan, Guifano, Runon.

Third race—One mile:

Bokie B. (Wagner)	$18.40	$9.20	$6.60
Gay Follies (Terry)		2.60	2.20
Celtic Prince (Basile)			2.60

Time, 1.41 1-5. Also ran: Temple Dancer, Baritone, Brookhatten, Southland Toy, Maximum Prate, Lugano, My Fortune.

Fourth race—Mile and one-sixteenth:

Parafour (Wagner)	$22.60	$7.40	$3.40
Prince Charlo (Young)		4.20	2.80
Black Stocking (Verber)			2.20

Time, 1.47. Also ran: Pulis, Mayco.

Fifth race—Six furlongs:

Chief's Pride (Turner)	$5.00	$3.00	$2.60
Marie Jean (Balaski)		5.40	4.40
Pitkin (Terry)			3.20

Time, 1.12 4-5. Also ran: Rizla, Transfix, Smear.

Sixth race—six furlongs:

High Mongal (Richard)	$8.80	$4.20	$3.60
Rickey Roo (Kelry)		3.40	2.80
Sweet Myth (Canfield)			5.00

Time, 1.13 1-5. Also ran: Gunwale, Raffles Problum, Mere Prince, Glittering, Mad Bull, Exotude, Aunt Marie, Thunderburg.

Seventh race—Mile and one-sixteenth:

Anna L. (Reno)	$12.40	$5.60	$4.20
Penthouse (T. P. Martin)		9.00	5.80
Rockefe (Balaski)			3.60

Time, 1.48. Also ran: Judge Urban, [illegible] Prince, Transcall.

In the men's medal competition, played at the Colwood Golf Club yesterday, Alan Macey was the winner with a net score of 69. Dr. Gibson placed second with 73, and G. Quincy third with 76. G. Straith and J. H. Richardson tied for fourth with net 77's.

Twenty Grand Travels Grand

None of those smoky day coaches for Twenty Grand. The grand thoroughbred of Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney, after two years of retirement, is to take part in the $100,000 Santa Anita Handicap on February 23, and is shown above in the palatial stall in the train on which he pulled out of New York for Los Angeles.

RETAIL SHOWS IMPROVEMENTS

Fifty-four of Sixty-two Canadian Cities Report Increases Over Last Year

The buying public, for the third consecutive month, is reported as paying retail bills more promptly and to be buying more from the retail stores, in the monthly survey for November of retail credit sales and collections, compiled by the research division of the National Retail Association, just received by the secretary of the local Credit Grantors' Association.

Sales on credit for November are reported as 14.6 per cent higher than November, 1933, while retail collections are 9.0 per cent higher for the same period. These continued month-after-month increases indicate that the public in general is buying more freely and has greater confidence in the future. Most important, they show that recovery is actually under way, as retail business is the "nation's barometer."

Of the sixty-two cities reporting, representing 18,000 retailers, fifty-four show increases in collections, five report decreases, three "no change." In sales on credit, thirty-six report increases, only one reports a decrease, two report no change.

Credit sales in Canada are still on the increase, while collections are reported as "fairly good." In Ontario, Hamilton reports an increase of 9.1 per cent in collections and 11.6 per cent in credit sales, while in London collections are up 20.0 per cent and credit sales 19.0 per cent better. In British Columbia, Victoria reports collections off 2.0 per cent, credit sales up 7.0 per cent. Winnipeg reports no change in collections, but good credit sales, 19.0 per cent higher than in November, 1933.

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Bradian and Bralorne Jump At Vancouver

Canadian Press

Vancouver, Dec. 24.—Bradian and Bralorne continued the most improved issues at the close of the half-day session of the Vancouver stock exchange to-day. Bradian closed with an increase of 55 cents to $2.55, and Bralorne finished up over $1 at $13. Both increases were due to reports of a strike at the property of the Bradian mine.

Reno was also better, trading with an advance of 4 cents at $1.18. B.R.X. came out for a gain of one point, closing at 19.

Winnipeg Wheat Is Down Fractionally

Canadian Press

Winnipeg, Dec. 24.—Traders, looking forward to a two-day holiday over Christmas, paid little attention to the market to-day. Wheat prices on the Winnipeg Grain Exchange closed the quietest session in weeks, ¼c higher.

Futures fluctuated within a ½c price range, and delivery of 463,000 bushels of cash against the maturing December contract had no bearish effect on the market. December closed at 78c, May 82⅞c and July 83⅝c.

Cash and coarse grains were similarly dull. Values generally held steady.

The exchange will be closed to-morrow, Christmas Day, and on Wednesday, in observance of Boxing Day.

Associated Press

Chicago, Dec. 24.—Evening-up of accounts, so as to prepare for the Christmas holiday, helped about general firmness to-day in the grain markets.

Wheat closed uneven, ⅛c off to ⅜c up, compared with Saturday's finish, May 99¼c to 99⅜c, corn ¾c to ⅝c advanced, May 88⅜c to 88½c, oats at ⅛c to ½c gain and provisions showing a rise of 30c to 45c.

To-day's Grain Markets

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(By Jenks, Gwynne & Co.)

Wheat—	P. Clo.	Open	High	Low	Close
Dec.	77-6	78	78-2	77-6	78
May	82-5	83	83-1	82-5	82-7
July	83-3	83-4	83-6	83-3	83-5
Oats—					
Dec.	42-4	42-3	43-4	42-2	42-2
May	44-1	44-1	44-2	44	44
July	44-1	44-1	44-1	44	44
Rye—					
Dec.	58	58	59	58	59
May	61-6	61-6	62-2	61-6	62-2
July	62-3	62-4	62-6	62-4	62-6
Barley—					
Dec.	54-7	54-6	54-7	54	54-2
May	57	57	57	56-4	56-7
July	..	56-6	57	56-5	56-5
Flax—					
Dec.	141	142	142-2	142	142-2
May	144-5	144-4	145-4	144-4	145-4
July	..	145	145-6	144-6	145-6

INDEMNITIES FOR WEDNESDAY

(By Jenks, Gwynne & Co.)

Winnipeg

Wheat—	Bid	Offer
May	82-6	83-4

BAR SILVER

London, Dec. 24.—Bar silver, firm; 1/16 higher at 23 15/16d.

CHICAGO

(By Jenks, Gwynne & Co.)

Wheat—	P. Clo.	Open	High	Low	Close
Dec.	98-2	98-1	98-2	97-7	98-2
May	99-1	99-2	99-4	98-7	99-1
July	93-3	93-4	93-5	93-2	93-4
Corn—					
Dec.	89-7	90-7	91-4	90-2	91-4
May	87-3	87-5	88-4	87-5	88-4
July	84-5	85-1	85-4	84-7	85-2
Oats—					
Dec.	55-6	56-1	56-2	55-7	55-7
May	52	52-1	52-3	52	52-3
July	47	47-2	47-3	47-1	47-2
Rye—					
Dec.	77-3	77-3	77-5	77-1	77-3
May	76-1	76-2	76-3	76-1	76-2
July	75-4	75-4	75-4	75-3	75-4

VANCOUVER WHEAT

Vancouver, Dec. 24.—Vancouver wheat cash prices:

	Straight	Tough
No. 1 hard	78⅞	76⅞
No. 1 northern	78¼	76¼
No. 2 northern	70⅝	67⅛
No. 3 northern	67⅞	64⅞
No. 4 northern	64⅞	61⅞
No. 5 wheat	61⅞	58⅞
No. 6 wheat	59⅞	56⅞
Feed	57⅞	54⅞

Track, 78⅝.

Note.—Vancouver wheat market closed December 25 and 26.

UPTURN SEEN AT MONTREAL

Canadian Press

Montreal, Dec. 24.—Securities on the Montreal Stock Exchange advanced during to-day's short session in dull pre-holiday trading.

International Power preferred rose five points to a new high for the year at 60 while Montreal Power, Shawinigan Power and Power Corporation were up small amounts.

Howard Smith preferred lost nearly two points and the common was up a fraction. Canadian Pacific Railway gained a small amount with Brazilian Traction unchanged.

MINE SHARES CLOSE STRONG

Canadian Press

Toronto, Dec. 24.—The mining department of the Toronto stock exchange developed a strong tone in to-day's abbreviated session. Bradian was a leader of the gold group, jumping 45 cents to 2.45 on heavy turnover. Bralorne, which has a heavy interest in Bradian, came along with an advance of 1.20 to $13.20.

Volume was fair in God's Lake at 1.95 for a gain of 5 cents. Macassa advanced 7, Pickle Crow 4, McKenzie 3 and Prospectors Airways 5 to 1.30.

Eldorado gained 13 cents to 1.25. Nipissing gained 5 to 2.55 and Bear at 18 was off 1½.

Base metals were slow.

CALGARY LIVESTOCK

Calgary, Dec. 24 (Canadian Press).—Receipts week-end, 405 cattle, 18 calves and 59 hogs. Up to noon Monday no livestock received.

The bulk of cattle receipts were on through billing. The cattle market was steady for quality offered. No hog market established. Last figures: Selects $7.15, bacons $6.65, and butchers $6.15, off trucks.

Cattle: Common to medium butcher steers, $2 to $3; good butcher cows, $1.75; medium to good veal calves, $2.25 to $2.75.

LIVERPOOL

Liverpool, Dec. 24.—Following are to-day's per bushel wheat quotations, c.i.f. Liverpool, in Canadian funds at current sterling exchange rate of $4.89 as supplied by Broomhall. Shipment December:

	To-day	Saty.
No. 1 Man. nor., Vancouver	94	93⅝
No. 2 Man. nor., Atlantic	92½	92⅛
No. 2 Man. nor., Vancouver	86	85⅝
Argentine (Rosafe)	64¼	63⅝
Argentine (Barusso)	64⅞	64⅛
Australian (afloat)	64⅞	65¾
West Australian	71	70¼
French	57¼	57¼

CANADIAN STOCKS

TORONTO MINES AND OILS

(By H. E. Hunnings & Co. Ltd.)

	Close
MINES—	¾
Amity	20
Ashley	1⅝
Alexandria	9¼
Bagamac	19
Bear	55
Base Metals	6
Barry Hollinger	18
B.R.X.	293
Buffalo Ankorite	31
Bobjo	4½
Bunker Hill	33
Big Missouri	1300
Bralorne	195
Beattie	250
Bradian	134
Cariboo Gold	63
Castle Tretheway	106
Central Patricia	210
Chemical Research	8½
Chibougamau	255
Conarium	13400
Con. M. and S.	3000
Dome	120
Eldorado	340
Falconbridge	78
Gunnar	198
God's Lake	10½
Granada	30
Green Stabell	1890
Hollinger	104
Howey	1190
Hudson's Bay	2275
Inter. Nickel	15
Jackson Manion	57
Kirkland Lake	2
Lee Gold	730
Little Long Lac	4½
Lake Maron	5300
Lake Shore	258
Macassa	7½
Maple Leaf	4000
McIntyre	132
McKenzie Red Lake	33
McMillan	44
McWatters	106
Mining Corp.	31
McVittie Graham	253
Nipissing	20
Paymaster	183
Pickle Crow	1075
Pioneer	144
Premier	122
Reno	8
Roche Long Lac	445
San Antonio	47
Sheep Creek	46
Sherritt Gordon	2½
South Tiblemont	248
Siscoe	16
Stadacona	29
St. Anthony	116
Sudbury Basin	228
Sylvanite	396
Teck Hughes	91
Ventures	880
Wright Hargreaves	8½
White Eagle	8½
Wayside	
OILS—	
Acme	18
Ajax	88
A.P. Con.	8
Associated	11
B.A. Oil	1475
Imperial Oil	1650
Inter. Petroleum	3050
Royalite	1825

UNLISTED—	Bid	Asked
Bankfield	67	72
Gabrielle	58	62
Lagoon	16	17½
McLeod Cockshutt	7	8
Bas[illegible]	6½	8
Smelters	15½	16
Springer	7	10
Toburn	123	127

VANCOUVER SALES

Vancouver, Dec. 24.—The stock sales to-day on the Vancouver stock exchange were:

Listed Oils

Mercury—500 at .12.

Curb Oils

Crow's Nest—2,000 at .05¼.
[illegible]—500 at [illegible].
Highwood S.—300 at .13½.
Mar. Jon—1,000 at .15½.
Merland—300 at .19.
Pacalta—1,000 at .07½.
Ranchmen's—200 at .78.
United Oils—1,000 at .05.

Listed Mines

Bradian—1,250 at 2.50, 300 at 2.52, 2,750 at 2.55, 900 at 2.60.
Bralorne—15 at 12.75, 75 at 13.00.
B.R. Con.—1,000 at .06, 2,500 at .06½.
B.R.X.—100 at .18, 2,000 at .19.
Cariboo—1,300 at 1.38, 800 at 1.39.
Gold Belt—200 at .30.
Meridian—200 at .12½, 1,000 at .12¾.
Morning Star—1,400 at .10.
Premium Gold—900 at 1.42.
Reno—100 at 1.13, 200 at 1.14, 800 at 1.15, 100 at 1.16, 100 at 1.17, 200 at 1.18, 500 at 1.19, 500 at 1.20.
Sally—1,000 at .55.
Taylor Bridge—200 at .28, 200 at .29.
Wayside—800 at .08½, 200 at .09.

Curb Mines

B.C. Nickel—200 at .39, 600 at .40.
Big Missouri—50 at .35.
Dictator—1,000 at .03¾.
Dentonia—100 at .40, 1,750 at .41.
Fairview—1,300 at .15.
Golconda—700 at .30.
Grange—1,500 at .21.
Glacier Creek—1,000 at .04½.
Hercules C.—43,500 at .01½, 1,500 at .01⅝, 2,000 at .01¾.
Independence—2,000 at .01½.
Kootenay Belle—1,000 at .55.
Minto—9,500 at .16½, 2,400 at .16¾, 1,000 at .16⅞ (b-60).
Noble Five—1,800 at .06½.
Pilot—500 at .05.
Reward—1,000 at .03¾.
Salmon—200 at .09.
Viking—1,500 at .02½ (dd).
Ymir Yankee Girl—900 at .70.
Waterloo—8,500 at .02, 2,000 at .02½, 2,000 at .03.

Wall Street Stocks Drift Undecisively

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

MONDAY, DEC. 24

By Jenks, Gwynne & Co.

The range of to-day's Dow Jones averages was as follows:

INDUSTRIALS—
11.00—100.27, up 0.54.
12.00—100.17, up 0.44.
1.00—100.7, up 0.54.

UTILITIES—
11.00—35.37, off 0.04.
12.00—35.28, off 0.13.
1.00—35.29, off 0.12.

RAILS—
11.00—17.05, up 0.05.
12.00—17.03, up 0.03.
1.00—17.04, up 0.04.

	High	Low	Close
Electrical and Manufacturing			
Allis Chalmers Mfg.	15-1	14-6	15-1
Elec. Auto Lite	26-2	25-7	26-2
General Electric	20-3	19-6	20-3
Westinghouse El.	34-6	33-4	34-6
Miscellaneous and Manufacturing			
Amn. Can Company	110-6	108-6	108-5
Amn. Ice	3-2	..	3-2
Bendix	16-3	16-1	16-3
Burroughs Adding	14-5	..	14-5
Case Threshing	53-4	51-4	53-4
Celanese Corp.	32	31-6	31-6
Congoleum Nairn	33-6	33-4	33-6
Continental Can	62-6	62-4	62-4
Curtiss-Wright	2-7	2-5	2-7
Deere Corp.	26-7	26	26-7
Douglas Aircraft	23-4	22-7	23-4
Dupont de Nemours	94-6	83-6	94-6
Eastman Kodak	111-4	110-4	111-4
Gillette	13-5	..	13-5
Gold Dust	17-1	17	17
Int. Harvester	39-4	38-6	39-3
Nat. Cash Register	16-6	..	16-6
Nor. Ama. Av.	3-4	..	3-4
Pullman	46	45-7	46
Radio Corp. of Am.	5-5	5-3	5-4
Remington-Rand	10	..	10
Simmons Co.	9-1	9	9
Underwood Type	37	..	37
United Airways	14	13-4	14
Rails			
Atchison	52-4	..	52-4
Balt. and Ohio	13	12-7	12-7
Can. Pacific	11-4	11-3	11-4
Chesapeake Corp.	42-6	..	42-6
Ches. and Ohio	43-4	43-2	43-4
Chicago and Northw.	4	..	4
C.M. and St. Paul	2-3	2-1	2-1
Del. Lack. and West.	18	17-5	18
Gt. Northern pf.	16-6	16-3	16-4
Ill. Central	15-2	15	15-2
Missouri Pac. pf.	2-2	..	2-2
N.Y. Central	19-7	19-5	19-7
Northern Pac.	19-7	19-6	19-6
Pennsylvania R.R.	23-6	23-4	23-4
Southern Pac.	17-4	17-2	17-4
Union Pacific	106-4	105-2	106-4
Steel and Iron			
Amn. Car and Found.	16-2	15-6	15-6
Baldwin Loco.	5-4	5-3	5-4
Rep. Iron and Steel	13-5	13-4	13-5
U.S. Steel	37	36-4	37
Vanadium	18-2		18-2
Automobile and Accessories			
[illegible]	25	24-4	26
Briggs	26	25-4	26
Chrysler	39-6	38-3	39-6
General Motors	32-1	31-1	[illegible]
Hudson	[illegible]	[illegible]	11-4
Hupp.	2-6	..	2-6
Mack Truck	25	..	25
Nash	17	..	17
Packard	4-5	4-4	4-5
Studebaker	2	..	2
Timken Roller	32	31-6	31-6
Yellow Truck	3-2	..	3-2
Tires and Rubber			
Goodrich	10-1	..	10-1
Goodyear	23-4	23	23-4
U.S. Rubber pfd.	40-7	40-2	40-7
Public Utility			
Amn. Foreign Pow.	4-1	4	4-1
Amn. Pow. and Light	3-1	3	3
Amn. Tel. and Tel.	103-7	102-6	103-5
Amn. Water Works	13	..	13
Brook. Man.	41	40-5	40-5
Columbia Gas	7-1	7	7
Com. and South.	1-1	1	1-1
Consol. Gas, N.Y.	20-1	19-6	20
Elec. Pwr. and Lite	2-3	2-2	2-2
Inter. Tel. and Tel.	8-2	8-1	8-2
Louisville Gas	12-2	..	12-2
North American	12-5	12-4	12-4
Pub. Svce. of N.J.	26	25-4	26
South Calif. Edison	11	..	11
Stone and Webster	4-2	..	4-2
United Corp.	2-4	..	2-4
Food Products			
Amn. Sugar	64	..	64
Borden Co.	23	..	23
Cal. Pkg.	37	..	37
Canada Dry	14-4	..	14-4
Corn Products	62	61-5	61-5
Gen. Foods	34	33-6	33-6
Great West Sugar	17-1	17	17
Loose Wiles Biscuits	34-1	34	34
National Biscuit	26-5	26-3	26-5
National Dairy Products	16-4		16-4
Standard Brands	18-1	18	18-1
United Fruit	73	72-2	72-4
Apparel			
American Woolen	9	..	9
Retail Trade			
S. S. Kresge Co.	20-4	20-3	20-4
Montgomery Ward	28-3	28	28-2
Sears Roebuck	38-7	38-1	38-7
F. W. Woolworth	52-2	52	52-2
Tobaccos			
Amn. Tobacco B	81-4	81-3	81-3
Liggett Myers B	103	102-4	102-7
Lorillard	19-6	19-5	19-5
Reynolds Tobacco B	50	49-6	49-7
Miscellaneous			
Fox Film A	12-7	12-6	12-7
Inter. Cement	28-6	..	28-6
Johns Manville	53-6	53	53-6
Loew's	34-2	34	34-2
Otis Elevator	12-6	12-4	12-6
R.K.O.	2-5	2-4	2-5
Transamerica	5-5	..	5-5
Warner Bros.	4-2	4-1	4-1
Chemical			
Allied Chemical	132-4	132	132-4
Columbia Carbon	71-4	70-4	71-4
Com. Solvents	21-4	21-2	21-2
Freeport Texas	23-3	23-2	23-2
Liquid Carbonic	30	29-7	29-7
Mathieson Alkali	28-3	28	28-3
Nat. Distillers	28-3	28-2	28-2
Tex. Gulf Sulphur	32-4	32-2	32-4
Union Carbide	46-4	45-6	46-4
Oil and Refining			
Amerada	48	..	48
Atlantic Ref.	24-3	..	24-3
Cont. Oil	17-6	..	17-6
Phillips Petro.	14-3	..	14-3
Pure Oil	6-7	..	6-7
Standard Oil Cal.	29-6	29-2	29-3
Standard Oil N.J.	42-2	41-4	41-6
Socony Vacuum	14	13-5	14
Texas Corp.	20-2	19-7	20-2
Mining and Smelting			
Alaska Juneau	18-7	18-6	18-7
Amn. Smelting	37-2	36-6	37-2
Anaconda Copper	10-7	10-5	10-6
Cerro de Pasco	43	42-2	42-6
Dome	38-2	..	38-3
Granby	6-5	..	6-5
Inter. Nickel	23	..	23
Kennecott	16-6	16-3	16-4
McIntyre	40-2	..	40-2
Noranda	33-1	..	33-1
U.S. Smelting	123-4	122-4	123

Associated Press

New York, Dec. 24.—Financial markets were of the customary Christmas texture to-day and, while holiday spirits were moderately cheerful, there was no rush to buy.

After a fairly active opening, equities trading settled down to a rather dull jog and prices milled about indecisively.

Among Canadian stock, McIntyre and International Nickel were virtually even. Lake Shore was steady, but Hiram Walker got down nearly a point. Dominion Government bonds were narrow and quiet.

American Telephone got up a point and Consolidated Gas, Public Service of New Jersey and Western Union were a trifle improved. American Can moved up a point to another new year's high.

Douglas Aircraft pushed higher on announcement that the war department had placed a large order with this company.

INDUSTRIALS SESSION DULL

Associated Press

Toronto, Dec. 24.—Cutting to-day's session down to 2½ hours to give brokerage staffs time to do their Christmas shopping, the Toronto exchange staged a slow performance.

Ford A gained ¼ to 28¼ and Nickel was up ⅛ to 22¾. C.P.R. was off ⅛. Walkers' common at 24¼ was down ⅜ and Distillers Seagrams weakened ⅛ to 13⅞. Industrial Alcohol A gained a small fraction.

Massey Harris at 4½ was up a half point. Gypsum and Canada cement improved about ⅛ each.

BOND MARKET CLOSE QUIET

Associated Press

New York, Dec. 24. — There was no indication of a last-minute rush of investors into the bond market to do some Christmas purchasing to-day. The list was quiet.

Several foreign loans moved to lower levels under small transactions. Japanese 5½s were off 1½ points at 80½, while German, Polish and Argentine issues gave up fractions.

WILL NOT LIST UNREGISTERED

Canadian Press

Quebec, Dec. 24. — The Montreal Curb market has consented not to list for trading stock in unregistered mining companies, W. Amyot, K.C., registrar under the Quebec Security Frauds Prevention Act, announced yesterday.

BAR GOLD

London, Dec. 24.—Bar gold declined ½d to 140s 8d. (U.S. equivalent $34.78 on basis of sterling opening at $4.94½.)

Montreal, Dec. 24.—Bar gold in London up 2c at $34.46 an ounce in Canadian funds; 140s 8d in British funds. The fixed $35 Washington price amounted to $34.67 in Canadian.

BONDS

CORPORATION

(By Burns & Wainwright Ltd.)

	Quoted
Public Utilities—	
B.C. Power 5% 1960	102.25
B.C. Telephone 5% 1960	104.75
B.C. Electric 6% pfd	107.75
B.C. Telephone 6% pfd.	104.00
Calgary Power 5% 1960	101.00
C.P.R. 4½% 1944	96.25
Can. Northern Power 5% 1953	99.00
Gatineau Power 5% 1956	97.75
Western Power 5% 1949	106.00
Industrials—	
Abitibi P. and P. 5% 1953	34.50
B.A. Oil 5% 1945	106.00
Burns & Co. 5½% 1958	41.00
Can. Cement 5½% 1947	101.75
General Steelwares 6% 1952	92.00
Federal Grain 6% 1949	97.00
McColl Frontenac 6% 1949	105.25
Simpson's Ltd. 6% 1949	102.75

PROVINCIALS AND MUNICIPALS

(By Burns & Wainwright Ltd.)

	Quoted
Provincial—	
Alberta 4½% 1956	101.00
Do. 6% 1947	109.00
British Columbia 5% 1953	101.50
Do. 5½% 1945	104.00
Do. 6% 1947	106.75
Manitoba 5½% 1955	107.50
Do. 6% 1947	109.50
Ontario 4% 1962	103.00
Quebec 4½% 1963	109.75
Saskatchewan 5% 1959	99.75
Do. 5½% 1952	103.75
Do. 6% 1952	106.75
Municipal—	
Victoria 5½% 1948	100.00
Do. 6% 1947	103.50
Point Grey 5% 1953	96.50
Vancouver 5% 1969	96.00
Vancouver Water Dis. 4½% 1967	100.00
District of Saanich 5% 1959	101.00
Montreal 5% 1945	103.50
Winnipeg 4½% 1962	94.75
Quebec 4½% 1950	100.50

FOREIGN

(By Burns & Wainwright Ltd.)

	New York
Argentine 6% 1957	93.50
Australia 5% 1957	101.25
Austria 7% 1943	101.75
Belgium 6% 1945	102.25
Bogota 8% 1945	17.25
Denmark 5½% 1955	99.75
French 7½% 1941	184.625
German Government 7% 1949	37.50
Japan 6½% 1954	95.00
Minas Geraes 6½% 1959	19.875
Norway 6% 1944	104.00
Queensland 6% 1947	106.875
Rome 6½% 1952	81.50
Sweden 5½% 1954	100.50

DOMINION

(By A. E. Ames & Co.)

	Bid	Asked
5 % 1936	105.50	106.00
5 % 1943	113.75	114¼
4½% 1944	110.75	111.25
4 % 1943-1945	107⅛	107.50
4 % 1947-1952	106⅞	107.25
4½% 1948-1958	110.75	111⅛
4½% 1949-1959	110⅞	111.25
3½% 1949	102.75	103⅛
G.T.P.R. 3% 1962	99⅝	100⅝
G.T.P. 4% 1962	107⅝	108.00
C.N.R. 4½% 1951	113.50	114.00
Do. 4½% 1954	102.50	103.25
Do. 4½% 1957	112.25	113.00
Do. 4½% 1968	103.75	104.75
Do. 4¾% 1955	116.50	117.25
Do. 5 % 1954	116.25	..
Do. 5 % 1969	116⅞	117.25

Santa Claus Reports Business Boom, Thanks to Stamp Collectors' Aid

Santa Claus must be all things to all people.

To the kids, Santa Claus is the jolly saint who brings them secretly everything their little hearts desire. To mother, Santa Claus is just a big dinner to be prepared for the whole family. To pa, sometimes, Santa Claus is a pain in the neck. To 1,200 Hoosiers, Santa Claus is home.

But to the growing number of dyed-in-the-wool philatelists (stamp collectors to you), Santa Claus is an item.

You have heard of Santa Claus Inc., the little crossroads hamlet that rises each year to a peak of temporary fame and rushing postal business at the holiday season and then slumps off for the remainder of a humdrum year.

But did you know that if it were not for stamp-collectors, perhaps there would not be any Santa Claus?

NAME CHANGE HAPPY IDEA

Santa Claus, situated deep in rural southern Indiana, was founded long before the Civil War under the name of Santa Fe. In 1858, the residents began to think it would be nice to have mail delivery, and they applied for establishment of a postoffice.

The application was rejected, however, because there already was another office named Santa Fe in northern Indiana. This rejection was received only a few weeks before Christmas.

They had to think fast—Christmas, Santa Claus, Santa Fe — so they dropped the Fe, substituted Claus, and submitted a new application under the name of Santaclaus (one word). It was accepted.

So for sixty-eight years the town went inconspicuously along as Santaclaus. In 1926 an enterprising Los Angeles stamp collector changed all that. He got an idea.

STAMP FAN STARTS IT

He wrote to Postmaster James F. Martin, sending a letter to be mailed back to him from Santaclaus and thus canceled with the Yule postmark. It was the first such request Martin had had.

But the Californian went farther. He suggested that if the name of the town could be changed to two words, Santa Claus, that would raise the temperature of all good stamp collectors, and might mean business for the town.

Postmaster Martin, being a stamp collector himself, saw the point, and wrote to Postmaster-General Harry New, an Indianan, asking the change. New also saw the point, and Santaclaus became Santa Claus, Ind.

When the next edition of the Postal Guide carried the change, a flood of mail designed to secure samples of this unique postal marking began to rise, and it has never subsided. Ever since 1931 it has been necessary to put on a large extra force of clerks to handle the hundreds of thousands of letters.

The mass production of post marks became by long odds the biggest business of Santa Claus.

In 1932 business was so heavy that the postoffice at Santa Claus was raised from fourth class to third class, and all the latest equipment installed, including an electric canceling machine.

Some time ago a move was started to change the name, but it was promptly buried under a perfect avalanche of protests from governors, senators, representatives, mayors, national organizations, and stamp collectors. It was abandoned.

Department stores and other businesses then "got next." They began sending Christmas direct-by-mail advertising to Santa Claus to be remailed there with the magic postmark that would give it unusual attention, as "direct from Santa Claus."

The house that stamp-collectors helped to build for Santa Claus . . . at top, the postoffice at Santa Claus, Ind., with its sign "Santa Claus' Headquarters." Below, Postmaster James Martin before his famous office, and one of the coveted Santa Claus cancellations.

NEARLY LOSES JOB

But the bulk of the mail is still that of the stamp collectors, who consider the Santa Claus postmark on an envelope "unique," "intensely sentimental in its appeal," very colorful and immensely interesting.

Of course to a non-stamp collector, it it just like any other cancellation mark except that it says "Santa Claus, Ind.," instead of Victoria, B.C.

The building up of this big postal business, oddly enough, almost cost Postmaster Martin his job. When Santa Claus became a third instead of a fourth class postoffice, the job of postmaster was automatically removed from civil service and became a "presidential appointment," in other words in this case a political plum.

Martin is a Republican and an active one. He was all set for the skids when three-cent postage caused business to drop to the point where Santa Claus was once more safely back in the fourth class.

LONE COVER TO F.R.

Martin has opportunities to do thousands of favors for people he does not know, for there is no limit to the requests made of him—for signatures on the envelopes, and all kinds of trick variations of the coveted cancellations.

But in 1932 he had an opportunity to make a pretty gesture, and he did it. In that year Christmas fell on Sunday, and therefore there would normally be no Christmas Day mail cancellations from Santa Claus. Let Martin tell of his graceful act:

"I dispensed slightly with the usual rulings, and canceled one letter on that Christmas Day, and that was for President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

"The cover I franked with a full set of the popular Washington Bicentennial stamps, with the exception of the nine-cent value. So our president, United States No. 1 Stamp Collector, has the only December 25, 1932, cancellation in existence from Santa Claus, Ind.

"The cover now rests in President Roosevelt's framed stamp collection."

CITIES TO HOLD CONFERENCE

Canadian Press

Calgary, Dec. 24.—A conference of representatives of western municipalities for a discussion of unemployment and financial problems was called to-day for January 28 by Mayor Andrew Davison of Calgary, acting in conjunction with Mayor J. A. Clarke of Edmonton.

More than seventy-five municipalities are expected to be represented, including the cities of Winnipeg, Regina, Saskatoon, Moose Jaw, Edmonton, Lethbridge, Medicine Hat, Vancouver and New Westminster.

Reduction in interest charges, both on current borrowings and bonded indebtedness: Unemployment relief costs, and readjustment of taxation methods between the Dominion, the provinces and cities are the major problems to be discussed.

A uniform policy on educational and social service costs will be sought.

EXCHANGE RATES

Exchange rates at noon to-day, E.S.T., were:

At Montreal—British pound $4.89⅝; U.S. dollar .99 1-16; French franc 6.54 1-16.

At New York — Canadian dollar $1.00 15-16; British pound $4.94¼; French franc 6.60¼.

At Paris—Closed holiday.

In gold—Canadian dollar 59.97 cents; British pound 12s 1d; U.S dollar 59.43 cents.

LONDON MONEY

London, Dec. 24.—Money, ½%; discount rates, short and three-month bills, 9/16% to ⅝%.

LONDON METALS

London, Dec. 24.—Closing. Copper, spot £28 7s 6d; future, £28 17s 6d. Electrolytic, spot, £31 10s; future, £32. Tin, spot, £227 12s 6d; future, £228 5s. Lead, spot, £10 7s 6d; future, £10 10s. Zinc, spot, £11 12s 6d; future, £12.

New York, Dec. 24.—Bar silver, steady; ¼ higher at 53½.

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B.A. Oil	14-7
C.P.R.	11-3
Canada Cement	7-2
Canadian Car	7-7
Distillers Seagram	13-7
Dominion Bridge	33-3
Ford of Canada A	28
Gypsum	7
Hiram Walker	24
Imperial Tobacco	13
Indus. Alcohol	6-1
Massey Harris	4-3
Steel of Canada	44-4
BANKS—	
Bank of Canada	55-2
Nova Scotia	278
Toronto	220

TORONTO PRODUCE

Toronto, Dec. 24. — Wholesale produce prices:

Eggs—Grade A large, dozen 28c.
Churning cream—No. 1, lb., 21c.
Butter—No. 1 solids, lb., 21c.

BANK REPORT GOOD

Montreal, Dec. 24 (Canadian Press)—Strengthened liquid position and slightly lower profits were shown yesterday by Banque Canadienne Nationale, reporting for the fiscal year ended November 30.

Net profits, after appropriations to contingent reserve, amounted to $935,823 compared with $907,350. Quickly realizable assets were equal to 69.86 per cent of liabilities to the public compared with 64.59 per cent in 1933. They amounted to $79,985,800, up some $6,000,000.

LONDON MARKET

London, Dec. 24.—With trading fairly active, a cheerful tendency prevailed on the stock exchange. Investment buying improved gilt-edged securities and industrials, while gold mining shares and trans-atlantic issues hardened on speculative buying. A holiday feeling developed later, and the market closed firm.

NEW YORK METALS

New York, Dec. 24.—Copper, quiet; electrolytic, spot and future, blue eagle, 9.00.

Tin, steady, spot, nearby and future, 50.85.

Iron, quiet; No. 2 f.o.b. eastern Pennsylvania, 19.50; Buffalo, 18.50; Alabama, 14.50.

Lead, steady; spot, New York, 3.70; East St. Louis, 3.55.

Zinc, quiet; East St. Louis, spot and future, 3.72 to 3.75.

Aluminum, 19.00 to 22.00.

Antimony, spot, 14.00.

Quicksilver, 73.50 to 75.50.

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Tarzan of the Apes

Lord Greystoke, unfolding the scrap of paper which had been pushed in under the cabin door, found it was a message printed in uncouth letters, warning them to refrain from reporting the theft of his revolvers, on pain of death. Lady Greystoke paled, wondering what her fate might be.

The [illegible] which met Lord Greystoke's eyes, as he emerged on deck the next morning, confirmed his worst fears. A shot rang out, and then another and another. Facing the little knot of five officers was the entire motley crew of the Fulwalda, and at their head stood Black Michael.

Enraged, the bloodthirsty ruffians charged the officers representing the hated authority of the ship. Most of them were armed with boathooks, axes and crowbars. The officers retreated before the infuriated rush of their men. An axe cleft the captain from forehead to chin.

[illegible] were coming and swearing in a frightful manner, which, together with the reports of the firearms and the screams and groans of the wounded, turned the deck of the Fulwalda to the likeness of a madhouse. Short and grisly had been the work of the mutineers.

[illegible] apprehensive, for he feared for the safety of his wife, and the little unborn Greystoke at the hands of the ignorant half-brutes. "Here's two more for the fishes," snarled one of the crew, as he rushed toward them with uplifted axe.

The Gumps

When Is Uncongeniality An Offence?

Dorothy Dix

Says: When Practiced By Husband Or Wife

A LARGE proportion of divorces are granted on the ground of mental cruelty. Husbands and wives get upon each other's nerves with their little habits and mannerisms. A wife cannot bear the way her husband gargles his soup. A husband is bored to tears by his wife's babbling. The party of the first part has to live in Washington on account of his business. The party of the second part prefers to live in California. A married couple have not the same tastes in politics or pie. John Sprat can eat no fat, his wife can eat no lean. And these differences of temper and temperament are alleged to inflict such sufferings upon men and women that it entitles them to break their marriage vows, wreck their homes, and half-orphan their children.

It must surprise many a good, kind, generous man who has never raised his hand to his wife save to bestow gifts upon her to find himself accused of being a brute who has mentally beaten her black by not wanting to step out to a night club after a hard day's work. Equally it must be amazing to many a woman who has spent twenty-five or thirty years slaving for her husband and catering to all his whims to discover that she has inflicted agonies not to be borne on him by getting fat and middle-aged.

But such are the risks that married couples face in these days when their spouses can drag them into the divorce court for assault and battery mentally committed, and who never know whether they are giving a good performance as husband or wife, or are pinch-hitting for a torturer.

But the mental cruelty divorce charge, which gets away with mental murder, causes one to wonder about many things. One is, why people are so much more critical of those to whom they are married than they are of any one else? The only human beings in the world who are expected to be perfect, without fault or blemish, are husbands and wives. We take our families, our friends, our acquaintances as they are, and, if they make good on a reasonable number of the qualities we like and admire, we are satisfied.

"Oh, well, you can't have everything," we say philosophically. And overlook Mary's temper because she is so kind and put up with John's being a bit of a deadbeat because he is such good company, but we don't strike any such general average with our mates.

A man feels that he is defrauded if his wife does not possess every virtue. He wants her to be handsome and showy and a swell dresser and domestic and thrifty. He wants a parlor ornament and a kitchen utensil. And women are equally unreasonable in their demands. They expect their husbands to be patient, domestic beasts of burden and dashing men of the world, to be romantic lovers and practical business men, gigolos and go-getters. And when husbands and wives do not measure up to these impossible standards we are bedewed with the tears of those who weep upon our breasts and tell us of the cruelty that their wives and husbands inflict upon them.

You never hear a man say that, while Sally is not much to look at and does not know whether Einstein is canned goods or a new drink, she is a crackerjack cook and he would never be where he is if she had not pinched the pennies in their early days. Nor do you ever hear a husband say that while Mary is probably the worst housekeeper in the world and thinks that money was made to throw at the birds, that she is so dear and sweet and pleasant and entertaining that she makes life a joy and a delight for all about her.

Nor do you ever hear a wife say that, while Tom is short on sentiment, he is long on being a good provider and that you can take a lot for granted if he's [illegible] with cars and trips to Europe. Nor do you ever hear a wife say that, while Percy has not the gift of money-making, he gives her a love and tenderness that keep her heart warmer than any sables would.

No. Men want wives who are the good cooks and the savers and the fashion-plates. And women want husbands who make love with one hand and money with the other. And when they do not get everything tied up in their marriage certificates they accuse their mates of cruelty and inhuman punishment.

In one recent divorce case the wife's complaint was that he did not speak her language. She was all soul and he was all business. She had grand opera tastes and he had low jazz yens. And the martyrdom of life with one not on her plane was not to be endured.

Thousands of other marriages go on the rocks because of incompatibility of temper, yet these very same people who cannot live with a husband or wife who does not think just as they think and is not interested in the same things that they are interested in do not expect their friends to be rubber stamps of themselves, or dream of throwing up a good job because their bosses have ways they do not like.

Why is uncongeniality a crime only when practiced by a husband or wife? Nobody knows. It is just part of the mystery of marriage.

DOROTHY DIX.

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Uncle Wiggily's Christmas

By HOWARD R. GARIS

It was the day before Christmas in Woodland, where Uncle Wiggily lived. Oh, such joy and happiness as there was in his hollow stump bungalow and in the homes of all the other animal girls and boys!

"Christmas is coming! Christmas is coming!" sang Baby Bunty.

"I can hardly wait until to-morrow," said Jingle.

"I wonder what we'll get in our stockings or on the Christmas tree?" said Buster, a boy rabbit. For the little bunny children were to hang up their stockings as well as have a tree. Uncle Wiggily had said so.

"It will not be long before you get your presents," said Nurse Jane Fuzzy. "Hop out, now, and play."

With merry shouts and laughter the animal children played about in the snow. When the wind blew they thought they could hear the sound of bells on the reindeer of Santa Claus, who was on his way from the North Pole with his bag of presents.

"Are you going to look for an adventure, Mr. Longears?" asked Nurse Jane as Uncle Wiggily started to hop out of his bungalow.

"I thought I might," he said. "I'll look for a Christmas adventure."

GIFTS FOR BAD CHAPS

"Better take these with you," said the muskrat lady housekeeper, handing Uncle Wiggily three bundles wrapped in paper. "Put them in a basket and take them with you," she said.

"What are they?" he asked.

"Christmas presents for the Bad Chaps if they should chase you," answered Nurse Jane. "There is a bottle of milk for the Bob Cat. Only it's sour milk and it will so pucker his mouth that he cannot bite you. For the Fox there is an old feather duster. He will think it is a chicken and when he bites it, his teeth will stick in the handle."

"What's for the Wolf?" asked Uncle Wiggily.

"Some meat balls full of pins and needles," said Nurse Jane with a laugh. "These Christmas presents will fool the Bad Chaps if they come after you and you can get away."

"Yes, I guess I can," said Uncle Wiggily.

"So, don't forget," advised Nurse Jane as Uncle Wiggily hopped away. "The sour milk for the Bob Cat, the feather duster for the Fox and the meat balls of pins and needles for the Wolf."

"I'll remember," said Uncle Wiggily as he hopped away with the basket of April Fool Christmas presents for the Bad Chaps. The bunny gentleman hopped over the fields and through the woods. All over woodland he saw the Christmas holly. He heard the jingle of Christmas bells. He saw how happy were the faces of his animal friends. Uncle Wiggily hopped into a Christmas store and out again.

He looked for an adventure but found none. It was getting dark. It would soon be Christmas Eve. As Uncle Wiggily hopped through the woods the Bob Cat chased him.

REWARDED FOR PRESENTS

"Here's a present for you, Bobbie!" said the rabbit, tossing one from the basket. The Bob Cat stopped to open it and as he drank the milk he mewed: "That's good! I love milk. I won't chase you this Christmas, Uncle Wiggily." Then along came the Fox and the Wolf. Uncle Wiggily threw them packages from his basket.

"Christmas presents for you!" said the rabbit.

"A chicken! How good!" barked the Fox. "Meat balls! How good!" howled the Wolf. Then the two Bad Chaps ate what Uncle Wiggily gave them for Christmas. But in the store he had changed the sour milk for sweet, the old feather duster for some chicken sandwiches and the pins and needles meat balls for good ones. "I couldn't fool even the Bad Chaps on Christmas," the bunny told Nurse Jane when he got safely home, for he wasn't chased by them and everybody was happy. Then night came. In the morning Santa Claus had been at every house in Woodland. "Merry Christmas to everybody!" And if the fire shovel doesn't throw snowballs at the face of the clock I'll tell you next about Uncle Wiggily and Buster's boat.

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Luxton District School Concert

Luxton, Dec. 24.—The Luxton and Happy Valley School concert was held in the Luxton Hall on Thursday, December 20. The programme was staged before an enthusiastic audience of parents and friends, and the children played their parts splendidly. An address was given by Mr. Sceates, chairman.

The tiny tots of Division II gave a welcome number. Miss W. Keevil's class gave an interesting playette of "Mother Goose's Christmas Pantry," Mother Goose, Dorothy Blenkinsopp; Santa Claus, Bobby Clark. Playette, "The Painting of a Chair." Elsie Hutchinson, "the HVS Broadcasting Station BUNK by Division I, with L. Rhode as master of ceremonies, and G. Hutchinson as a negro, caused much fun. Playette, "The Train to Mauro," A. Rhode, K. Oliver and J. Oliver. Closing song by the school was "Good Night Parents." Miss E. Smith acted as accompanist.

After refreshments were served Santa Claus presented the children with gifts from a decorated Christmas tree. Dancing followed.

A New Year's eve dance will be held in Luxton Hall by the hall committee. There will be balloons and novelties. Stan Cross's orchestra will furnish the music for dancing and refreshments will be served.

Senator Meighen Back in Toronto

Toronto, Dec. 24.—Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen, K.C., Conservative leader in the Senate, returned here yesterday from a trip to Melbourne with the announcement there were definite indications of economic improvement apparent throughout Australia and New Zealand. Coupled with this was a pronouncedly favorable attitude toward the Ottawa trade agreements, he said. Mr. Meighen represented Canada at the Melbourne centennial celebrations.

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Admiral Glossop Called By Death

Canadian Press and Associated Press

Weymouth, Eng., Dec. 24.—Vice-Admiral John Collings-Taswell Glossop, retired, died yesterday. He was sixty-three.

The fifth son of Rev. G. G. P. Glossop, vicar of Twickenham, the admiral was married in 1918 to Ethel Alison, the youngest daughter of John McPhillamy of Bathurst, N.S.W. During the Great War he commanded the Australian cruiser Sydney at the destruction of the German raider Emden, received the Japanese Order of the Rising Sun, and was made an officer of the Legion of Honor. In 1921 he retired with the listing of vice-admiral.

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LOCH GOIL, Rotterdam and London, December 27.

AORANGI, Sydney, Auckland, Suva and Honolulu, December 27.

PACIFIC GROVE, Manchester, London, Liverpool and Glasgow, December 29.

JANUARY

EMPRESS OF CANADA, Manila, Hongkong, Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama and Honolulu, January 2.

GRATIA, United Kingdom, January 4.

TYNDAREUS, China and Japan, January 7.

PRESIDENT JEFFERSON, Philippine Islands, China and Japan, January 8.

HIYE MARU (at Vancouver), Japan ports, January 9.

DRECHTDYK, Rotterdam and London, January 10.

PACIFIC ENTERPRISE, Manchester, London, Liverpool and Glasgow, January 15.

PRESIDENT JACKSON, Philippine Islands, China and Japan, January 22.

MODAVIA, United Kingdom, January 23.

HEIAN MARU (at Vancouver), Japan ports, January 24.

DINTELDYK, Rotterdam and London, January 24.

NIAGARA, Sydney, Auckland, Suva and Honolulu, January 25.

IXION, China and Japan, January 28.

PACIFIC PIONEER, Manchester, Liverpool, London and Glasgow, January 29.

TO SAIL

DECEMBER

PACIFIC PRESIDENT (from Vancouver), United Kingdom, December 24.

EMPRESS OF ASIA, Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki, Shanghai, Hongkong and Manila December 29.

JANUARY

AORANGI, Honolulu, Suva, Auckland and Sydney, January 2.

PRESIDENT GRANT, Japan, China and Philippine Islands, January 5.

PACIFIC GROVE (from Vancouver), United Kingdom, January 5.

HIKAWA MARU (from Vancouver), Japan ports, January 10.

EMPRESS OF CANADA, Honolulu, Yokohama, Kobe, Shanghai, Hongkong and Manila, January 12.

PRESIDENT JEFFERSON, Japan, China and Philippine Islands, January 19.

PACIFIC ENTERPRISE (from Vancouver), United Kingdom, January 21.

HIYE MARU (from Vancouver), Japan ports, January 23.

NIAGARA, Honolulu, Suva, Auckland and Sydney, January 30.

ROTARIAN OF JAPAN HERE

T. Miyaoka Arrives By Ss. President Grant En Route to Chicago

"This is my second trip to North America in six months, and I must make a third before June," stated Tsunejiro Miyaoka, prominent lawyer of Tokio and a director of Rotary International, who reached Victoria this morning from the Orient by the Ss. President Grant. He is on his way to attend a meeting of the Rotary Boards of Directors.

"Until last June, it had been ten years since my last trip to America," Mr. Miyaoka said. "Before that time I was this side of the Pacific ten or twelve times. I first came to Victoria on one of the old Empresses many years ago."

About business and political conditions in Japan, Mr. Miyaoka said he preferred to say very little. He was quite convinced, he said, that no one country would recover without the rest of the world. There was no possibility of war between Japan and the United States, he said.

GOING TO MEXICO

Mr. Miyaoka will sail from San Francisco late next month by the Ss. President Coolidge, and will go direct to Manila to attend the Pacific Regional Conference of Rotary. He will return to Tokio for a few months and will sail again in May to attend a meeting in Chicago, and from there will go to the annual convention of Rotary International in Mexico City.

P. B. Scurrah, governor of Rotary District No. 1, visited Mr. Miyaoka aboard the President Grant this morning. In Seattle on Wednesday, Mr. Miyaoka will address the Rotary Club. He was invited to speak here, but had to decline because of other engagements.

DIPLOMATIC CAREER

Born in Osaka in 1866, Mr. Miyaoka has had a distinguished career in diplomatic service abroad and at law in Tokio. He was graduated from the law department of the Imperial University in Tokio and entered the Japanese Legation in Washington, D.C. Two years later he was sent to Berlin as first secretary of the legation there. Before returning to Japan in 1900, he served for a time in Belgium. He represented Japan before the International Arbitral Tribunal of The Hague in 1904, and two years later returned to Washington as counsellar of the Japanese Embassy. He was the senior Japanese delegate to the International Opium Conference in Shanghai in 1909. Late that year he resigned government service and established himself in general practice of law in Tokio.

Mr. Miyaoka was invited by the American Bar Association to be its guest and chief speaker at Cleveland in 1918, and a similar invitation was given him from the Canadian Bar Association of Montreal the same year. In 1924 he visited London and Paris as guest of the Bar of England and the Bar of Paris.

LINER MADE SHORT CALL

New York, Dec. 24.—The big Canadian liner Empress of Britain held a record yesterday for a ship of her size. She steamed into port before daybreak Saturday and sailed away three hours and fifty-four minutes later on a Christmas cruise.

In that time, 240 passengers from Europe got off with all of their baggage, 6,075 bags of holiday mail and $1,000,800 in gold were discharged; 250 new passengers with their baggage got on, and provisions and fuel were taken aboard.

The ship was a day late from Europe because of gales.

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CHRISTMAS COLD WAVE ON PRAIRIES

Canadian Press

Calgary, Dec. 24.—Pushed down by a howling wind from the Arctic wastes which at times reached a velocity of thirty miles an hour, the mercury traveled a toboggan slide route in the Calgary district during the week-end.

The lowest temperature was reached early this morning when the mercury dropped to 20 below zero, and it held there for some time. Sunday morning it was a mere 6 below but it skidded to 14 by evening.

Snow flurries added a realistic touch to the winter scene Sunday, adding to southern Alberta's white covering which came down to break a six weeks' spell of summer-like weather Friday night.

Beniawers Due Here Shortly

Limping back to Victoria, with much of her superstructure missing, her mast gone, and with a bad list, the British freighter Beniawers was 595 miles away from Victoria yesterday evening at 8 o'clock, according to a report picked up at the Gonzales wireless station.

The Beniawers was nearing Dutch Harbor, on her way to the Orient when a terrific Pacific storm disabled her. She was turned about and headed back to Victoria for survey and repairs. It is expected she will arrive here late Christmas night or early Wednesday morning.

Meanwhile the disabled freighter Cape Ortegal is receiving repairs at the Ogden Point piers. She arrived here last week with a bad list. Yarrow's Limited is effecting repairs to the ship's injured ballast tanks. She will proceed to sea in a few days.

SAFE BLOWERS ARE FRUSTRATED

Nanaimo, Dec. 24.—An attempt was made to blow the Nanaimo Creamery Association safe last night. Two holes were blown in the safe but the thieves failed to get $12 inside. Police believe it the work of amateurs who were disturbed. A pick and work hammer, stolen from the city tool box was found near the attempted robbery.

VESSEL MADE GOOD PASSAGE

Ss. President Grant Arrived This Morning, Full Day Ahead of Schedule

In order to make Seattle on Christmas Eve, the American Mail liner President Grant steamed across the North Pacific at an average of twenty knots and reached Victoria this morning at 7 o'clock from ports in the Philippine Islands, China and Japan. She proceeded to Seattle three hours later.

Capt. H. B. Clark, U.S.N.R., master of the ship, said unusually fine weather for this time of the year enabled his ship to make good time. Docking at Victoria this morning in the teeth of a stiff gale, was rather difficult and the ship lay off the Rithet piers an hour before she was finally swung around on the outside of Pier 1.

For Victoria the President Grant had 150 tons of general cargo, mails for Canadian distribution and several Oriental steerage passengers.

NAVAL OFFICERS

A party of United States naval officers, accompanied by their wives and families, were aboard the President Grant, returning from duty with the Asiatic fleet in Orient waters. In this group were: Lieut. J. P. B. Barrett, Mrs. Barrett and Master Paul Barrett; Lieut. C. S. Beightler and Mrs. Beightler, Lieut. and Mrs. John L. Brown, Lieut. E. G. Conley, Ensign M. H. Cox and Lieut. J. G. Urquhart.

Miss Ip Mui of Hongkong left the President Grant here and proceeded to Vancouver, where she will visit with friends for six months.

Others aboard the liner were: George Grandy, connected with the Ford Company in Tokio and Yokohama, en route to Detroit; L. F. Roundel, a prominent tea planter from Ceylon, en route to Los Angeles with his family; Louis Detkin of New York city, returning from buying trip to the Orient; Mrs. Ida Gordon of New York and Manila; Mrs. Lois Hancock and Miss E. Miller of Louisville, on a world voyage; Mrs. R. Lunkley of Shanghai, and Mrs. A. McFayden, a missionary from China.

Coastwise Movements

VICTORIA-VANCOUVER

Princess Charlotte leaves Victoria for Vancouver daily at 2.15 p.m.; arrives Vancouver, 7 p.m.

Princess Alice leaves Vancouver daily for Victoria, 10.30 a.m.; arrives Victoria, 3.30 p.m.

Princess Joan or Princess Elizabeth leaves Victoria daily at midnight, arriving Vancouver 7 a.m.

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VICTORIA-SEATTLE

Princess Alice leaves Victoria daily at 4.30 p.m.; arrives Seattle, 9.30 p.m.

Princess Charlotte leaves Seattle daily, 9 a.m.; arrives Victoria, 1.30 p.m.

Iroquois leaves Victoria daily at 9 a.m.; arrives Seattle 3 p.m.

Iroquois leaves Seattle at midnight; arrives Victoria, 6.30 a.m.

VICTORIA-PORT ANGELES

Iroquois arrives Victoria daily at 8.30 a.m.; leaves for Port Angeles at 9 a.m.

WEST COAST SERVICE

Princess Maquinna sails from Victoria, 11 p.m., on first, eleventh and twenty-first of each month, for ports as far north as Port Alice.

VANCOUVER-NANAIMO

Princess Elaine leaves Nanaimo, daily except Sunday, 7 a.m. and 2.15 p.m., arriving Vancouver, 9.30 a.m. and 4.45 p.m.; leaves Vancouver, 10 a.m. and 5.45 p.m., arriving Nanaimo, 12.30 p.m. and 8.15 p.m.; Sunday only, leaves Vancouver 10 a.m., arrives Nanaimo, 12.30 p.m.; leaves Nanaimo, 5.45 p.m., arrives Vancouver, 8.15 p.m.; leaves Vancouver, 8.45 p.m., arrives Nanaimo 11.15 p.m.

SIDNEY-ANACORTES

Ms. Rosario leaves Anacortes, 8.30 a.m., arrives Sidney, 1 p.m.; leaves Sidney, 1.30 p.m. arrives Anacortes, 6.15 p.m., via Friday Harbor, Orcas Island and Lopez Island.

SALT SPRING ISLAND

Ms. Cy Peck leaves Swartz Bay daily, except Wednesday, at 8.30 a.m. and 5 p.m.; leaves Fulford Harbor daily except Wednesday, at 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Sunday service Leaves Fulford Harbor, 8 a.m. 10.30 a.m. and 4.30 p.m.; leaves Swartz Bay, 9.30 a.m., 11.30 a.m. and 5.30 p.m.

CALIFORNIA SERVICE

Emma Alexander and Ruth Alexander leave alternate Saturdays at midnight for California ports; arrive Victoria alternate Thursday nights.

PLANE SERVICE

Canadian Airways' plane leaves Vancouver daily at 9.30 a.m.; arrives Esquimalt Harbor, 10.15 a.m.; leaves Esquimalt, 3.30 p.m.; arrives Vancouver, 4.15 p.m.

Tide Table

DECEMBER

Date	Time h.m.	Ht ft.	Time h.m.	Ht ft.	Time h.m.	Ht ft.	Time h.m.	Ht ft.
24	8.05	8.6	12.18	8.2	13.42	8.3	23.20	2.3
25	8.19	8.7	....	....	....	....	23.50	3.0
26	8.30	8.7	....	....	....	....	....	....
27	0.15	2.7	8.45	8.7	....	....	....	....
28	0.30	4.5	8.58	8.8	17.15	5.6	19.42	5.7
29	0.25	5.2	9.12	8.9	17.15	4.8	....	....
30	....	....	9.25	9.0	17.40	3.9	....	....
31	....	....	9.38	9.4	18.15	3.0	....	....

The figures for height serve to distinguish high water from low water. Where blanks occur in the tables, the tide rises or falls continuously during three of the usual tidal periods.

OUT OUR WAY

—By WILLIAMS

SHERIFF DIES IN VANCOUVER

Canadian Press

Vancouver, Dec. 24.—Sheriff George W. Robertson of Vancouver, who came here twenty-two years ago from Richibucto, Kent County, N.B., is dead. He was aged sixty-five.

Mr. Robertson was engaged in the contracting business for some years and later became deputy sheriff. He became sheriff six months ago.

The Weather

Daily Bulletin Furnished by the Victoria Meterological Department

RAIN

Victoria, 8 a.m., Dec. 24.—The barometer remains low over the interior of this province and unsettled colder weather continues. Sub-zero temperatures continue on the prairies accompanied with scattered snowfalls.

Reports

Victoria—Barometer, 29.54; temperature, maximum yesterday 42, minimum 39; wind, 32 miles W.; rain, .21; cloudy.

Vancouver—Barometer, 29.78; temperature, maximum yesterday 42, minimum 34; wind, 4 miles N.W.; rain, .37; fair.

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 29.96; temperature, maximum yesterday 30; minimum 18; wind, 6 miles W.; clear.

Estevan Point—Barometer, 29.82; temperature, maximum yesterday 38, minimum 34; wind, 32 miles N.W.; rain, .62; fair.

Seattle—Temperature, maximum yesterday 46, minimum 38; wind, 32 miles S.W.; rain, .32; fair.

Portland, Ore.—Temperature, maximum yesterday 50, minimum 46; wind, 4 miles S.W.; rain, .06; raining.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.24; temperature, maximum yesterday 56, minimum 46; wind, 6 miles N.; cloudy.

Temperatures

	Max.	Min.
Victoria	42	39
Nanaimo	40	34
Vancouver	42	34
Kamloops	—42	—48
Barkerville	46	38
Portland	50	46
San Francisco	56	46
Kamloops	34	28
Prince George	2	—10
Penticton	41	31
Nelson	34	....
Calgary	— 6	—16
Edmonton	—12	—20
Prince Albert	— 8	—26
Qu'Appelle	8	—18
Moose Jaw	20	—18
Winnipeg	— 4	—12
Yesterday:		
Toronto	38	18
Ottawa	8	—12
Montreal	....	— 6
St. John	18	0
Halifax	16	10

Forecast

Victoria and vicinity for 36 hours ending 5 p.m. Tuesday: Fresh to high westerly winds; unsettled with occasional rain or sleet.

Two Soccer Games Billed Wednesday

Two first division league fixtures will provide the Boxing Day entertainment for Victoria's soccer fans on Wednesday. At Heywood Avenue, Victoria City will play the Thistles with Ralph Alcock as referee and at Bullen Park, Victoria West will meet Esquimalt with J. C. Dowds handling the whistle. Both games are scheduled to start at 2 o'clock. No second division fixtures will be played.

MAILS

BRITISH

Close, 1.30 p.m., December 23, Ss. Aurania.

Close, 4 p.m., December 23, Ss. Ile de France, via New York.

Close, 4 p.m., December 28, Ss. Aquitania, via New York.

Close, 1.30 p.m., December 29, Ss. Duchess of York.

Close, 4 p.m., December 30, Ss. Europa, via New York.

Mail intended for transmission via New York must be so marked. When sent by air over United States lines, mail may be posted two days later than the dates indicated.

WEST INDIES GENERALLY

Close, 1.30 p.m., December 23.

JAMAICA

Close, 1.30 p.m., December 28, 30.

CHINA AND JAPAN

Empress of Asia, close, December 29, 4 p.m.; due Yokohama, January 10; Shanghai, January 14; Hongkong, January 17.

*Mail for Japan only.

**Carries mail for Honolulu.

AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND

Aorangi, close, January 2, 4 p.m.; due Auckland, January 31; Sydney, January 36.

HONOLULU

Close, 11.15 p.m., December 15, 18, 25, 26; January 2, 5, 7, 8, via San Francisco.

Close, 4 p.m., December 15, Ss. Empress of Japan.

Close, 4 p.m., January 2, Ms. Aorangi.

ALASKA

Princess Norah, Vancouver, 9 a.m., December 28.

YUKON AND ATLIN

Close, 1.30 p.m., January 11, 25; February 8; via Vancouver.

Close, 4 p.m., January 18, 29, via Seattle, Wash.

GULF ISLANDS

GANGES, GALIANO, MAYNE, PENDER ISLAND, PORT WASHINGTON, SALT SPRING ISLAND

Mails close Sunday, Wednesday, Friday, 11.15 p.m.; Tuesday, 10 a.m.

Mails due Monday, 7.15 p.m.; Sunday, Wednesday Friday 7.15 a.m.

BEAVER POINT, FULFORD HARBOR

Mails close Tuesday, 10 a.m.; Wednesday, Friday, 11.15 p.m.

Mails due Sunday, Wednesday, Friday, 7.15 a.m.

SATURNA

Mails close Sunday, Wednesday, 11.15 p.m.

Mails due Monday, 7.15 p.m.; Friday, 7.15 a.m.

SOUTH PENDER

Mails close Sunday, Wednesday, 11.15 p.m.

Mails due Monday, 7.15 p.m.; Friday, 7.15 a.m.

NORTH GALIANO

Mails close 11.15 p.m.

Mails due Monday, 7.15 p.m.

WEST COAST

Mails close 10 p.m. 1st, 11th and 21st of each month for Ahousat, Bamfield, Creeperce, Clayoquot, Clo-oose, Ecoole, Estevan Point, Kakawis, Kildonan, Kyuquot, Nootka, Port Alberni, Port Renfrew, Queen's Cove, Tofino and Ucluelet. Due 1.15 p.m., 8th, 18th and 28th of each month except Ecoole.

Mail close 10 p.m. 21st of each month and 9 a.m. 22nd of each month for Centre Island. Due 1.15 p.m. 28th of each month.

Mails close 9 a.m., 2nd, 12th and 22nd of each month except Sundays, for Clayoquot, Estevan Point, Kakawis, Kyuquot and Tofino.

Mails close 9 a.m., 6th, 16th and 26th of each month, except Sundays for Clo-oose and Port Renfrew.

Mails close 9 a.m., Thursday and Saturday for Bamfield, Ecoole, Kildonan, San Mateo, Sechart and Ucluelet. Due 5 p.m., Tuesday and Saturday.

Mail close 11.15 p.m., Monday and 1.30 p.m., Fridays, for Holberg, Port Alice and Quatsino. Due 7 a.m., Tuesday and Friday.

Mails close 10 p.m., 1st of each month and 9 a.m. 2nd of each month, for Cachalot. Due 1.15 p.m. 8th of each month.

QUEEN CHARLOTTE ISLANDS

Close, 11.15 p.m., December 13, 27, January 10, 24; via Vancouver.

Close, 1.30 p.m., December 5, 19, January 2, 16; via Prince Rupert.

Ti-ell to Prince Rupert only.

Rose Harbor to Vancouver only.

Sunrise and Sunset

Time of sunrise and sunset (Pacific Standard Time) at Victoria, B.C., for the month of December, 1934.

Day	Rises Hour	Sets Hour
24	8.02	4.24
25	8.02	4.25
26	8.03	4.25
27	8.03	4.26
28	8.03	4.27
29	8.03	4.28
30	8.03	4.29
31	8.03	4.30

The Meteorological Observatory, Gonzales Heights, Victoria, B.C.

Moonrise, Moonset

Time of moonrise and moonset (Pacific Standard Time) at Victoria, B.C., for the month of December, 1934.

Day	Rises Hour	Sets Hour	Phases
24	8.26 p.m.	10.16 a.m.	
25	9.11 p.m.	10.36 a.m.	
26	10.39 p.m.	10.53 a.m.	
27	11.45 p.m.	11.08 a.m.	
28	....	11.24 a.m.	
29	0.51 a.m.	11.42 a.m.	Last Qtr.
30	2.01 a.m.	12.03 p.m.	
31	3.13 a.m.	12.36 p.m.	

The Meteorological Observatory, Gonzales Heights, Victoria, B. C.

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS Fares and Sailings TO SALT SPRING

FERRY MS. CY PECK

Christmas Day and New Year's Day Schedules

Lv. Swartz Bay, 9.30 a.m., 5.00 p.m.
Lv. Fulford Harbor, 8 a.m., 4 p.m.

Boxing Day (December 26) Schedule

Lv. Swartz Bay .....5.00 p.m.
Lv. Fulford Harbor .....8.00 a.m.

Low Christmas Fares

Good going from Saturday, December 22, to Wednesday Morning trip. Returning any time before Thursday Afternoon trip $1.50

RETURN FARE PER CAR

REGULAR DAILY SCHEDULE (Except Wednesdays)

Leave Swartz Bay - - - 9.30 a.m.—5.00 p.m.
Leave Fulford - - - - 8.00 a.m.—4.00 p.m.

TARIFF

Passengers 25c
Automobiles (According to Weight) ..... 75c to $1.50
Trucks (According to Size) ..... $1.25 to $2.00
Motorcycles 50c

For Further Information and Motor Coach Connections, Phone E 1177—E 1178

Gulf Islands Ferry Co. Limited

Special Christmas and New Year Holiday Fares

Round Trip

To SEATTLE - - $3.35
VANCOUVER $3.35

Good going from December 20, 1934, to January 1, 1935, inclusive
Final return limit January 10, 1935

Special Fares for Christmas Only

Round Trip

To SEATTLE - - $3.15
VANCOUVER $3.15

Good going from December 21 to December 25, 1934, inclusive
Final return limit December 26, 1934
Tickets and Other Information on Application to Agents

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